



Gen. Allen Cites
Colored Soldier
For Bravery

Pfc. Lyons Risked
Life to Save G.I.
From Chattahoochee

Pfc. Hezekiah Lyons, colored mess cadetman with the Fifth Company, Third Student Training Regiment, saved the life of Pvt. Calvin W. Rayburn, a white soldier of Co. E, 176th Infantry, from the swift currents of the Chattahoochee River while the Fifth Company was on its recent three-day bivouac there.

Maj. Gen. Leven C. Allen, commander of The Infantry School, has cited Pfc. Lyons for "meritorious conduct" beyond the line of duty. The citation was received Tuesday.

Lyons, who is a table waiter with the company, went down for a swim in the Chattahoochee river near its confluence with Smith Creek. He was accompanied by other cadet members of the company.

While they were wading in the shallows near the north bank, a group of enlisted men from the 176th Infantry, School Troops Brigade, attempted to swim across to Lyons' side from the south bank. The river is perhaps 200 feet wide at this point. The current is strong, rapid, and filled with treacherous eddies and overcurrents.

SWEPT DOWNSTREAM
Rayburn was swept down river, and was rapidly losing strength in his efforts to get ashore. The current carried him and the eddies pulled him downstream swiftly. Upon hearing cries for assistance, Lyons, although he is not a strong swimmer, waded out in water up to his head, steadying himself at intervals by grasping small wooden pilings, apparently part of an old pier.

At considerable risk to his own life, he advanced to the last piling and was just able to grasp Rayburn's clothes as he was swept past by the current. Lyons held him and Rayburn went on his back, apparently suffering no ill effects.

Allen served in the Army since January 20, 1942, undergoing his basic infantry training at Camp McClellan, Ala. For the last 15 months he has served with the Fifth Company and has an excellent record. He is 24 years old, single, and although born at Pittsburgh, Pa., his family makes their home at Sarasota, Fla. In civilian life he worked as a cook. He is modest about his rescue of a fellow-soldier. At the time he hoped he would keep cool enough to make the rescue. Apparently he succeeded, for the eyewitness report, that only good credit on his part made the rescue successful.

Capt. John D. Austin, executive officer of the Fifth Company, recommended that Lyons be cited for his rescue of Rayburn, in view of the dangerous condition of the Chattahoochee River and Lyons' prompt response without a thought of his own safety to a call beyond his duty.

Seat-Weariness
Chairbornes
Eye Cavalry

Seat-weariness members of officers advanced class, 5th Company, 1st Student Training Regiment, following days of travel to and from demonstrations in springless vans were handed a laugh last week by the following series of communications:

"MONDAY—Students will at all times straddle seats in vans to utilize fullest capacity."

"TUESDAY—Members of the class will not disturb the fastening of canvas tops on vans."

"WEDNESDAY—While traveling in vans, students will remain seated at all times."

In view of the type of physical "hardening" received by these members of the "chairborne" infantry, as they call themselves, are contemplating transfer to the cavalry!

Two Canadian
Brigadiers
Inspect Post

Officers Voice High
Praise of Infantry
School Instruction

Brigadiers G. E. McCuaig and J. P. Archambault, co-chairman of the Official Selection and Appraisal Board of the Canadian Armed Forces, have completed an inspection of The Infantry School at Fort Benning.

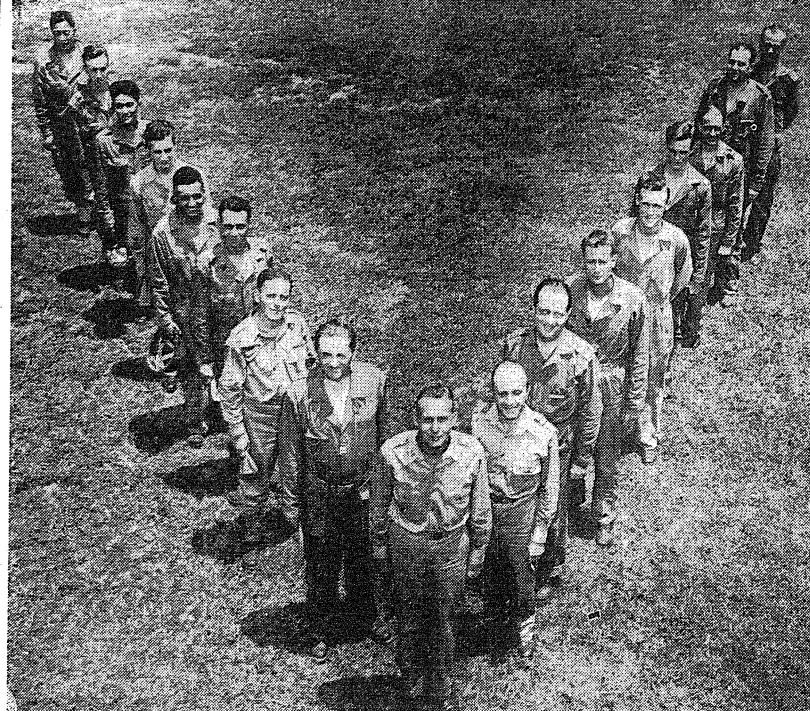
During their two-day tour of the school and its installations, the Canadians were impressed by the excellent and efficient methods of instruction. "Well-posted—efficient—capable" were the descriptions they used of The School's instructors.

The brigadier explained they were sent to observe the methods used in The School with the idea of employing some of them in the Canadian Schools of a similar nature. These schools are maintained, one in eastern and the other in western Canada, for the Officers' Training Corps.

As co-chairman of the Selection and Appraisal Board, they are to inspect the training of all branches of the military services in Canada. Both are veterans of World War I.

3RD STR STOCKADE

A stockade to house the erring personnel of the Third Student Training Regiment of the Infantry School is nearing completion under the direction of Lt. H. W. Blake, Regimental Supply Officer. The stockade is located between the barracks of the Service Battalion and First Battalion.



SOLDIERS FROM all over the world are gathered in a "Foreign Legion" company for officers and officer candidates taking a special course in the First Student Training Regiment of the Infantry School. Frenchmen from South America predominate this group. Reading from left to right, 1st Lt. H. E. Lefevre, Aspirant F. R. Stencil, Aspirant M. A. Voisin; 1st Lt. M. Martinez; Capt. P. B. Rosset-Courmand; 1st Lt. T. T. Sueoka; Aspirant P. De Fontenelle; 1st Lt. Sam G. Lew; Capt. Arthur D. Everson, commander of the 12th company, where the "Legion" is quartered; Capt. R. E. Barbeau; 1st Lt. Paul J. Lazard; Capt. T. F. Flo; Capt. J. C. Carville; Capt. J. S. Bailey; 1st Lt. P. G. LeFort; 1st Lt. D. Neu; Capt. G. P. Ramin. (U. S. Signal Corps Photo.)

All-Girl Colored
Orchestra Plays
Post July 31

Fort Benning personnel in the Harmony Church area will be treated to a special one night stand of Eddie Durbin's All Girl Colored Orchestra which will play at the Third Student Training Regiment amphitheater the night of July 31, it was announced by Lt. Col. Charles C. Finnegan, special service officer. The band, which has played such spots as the Savoy Ballroom and other large places in New York City, will present the concert and show at 8:45 p. m. on that date.

Application Forms
For Ration Book 3
Ready August 15

Application forms for Ration Book No. 3 will be available for distribution to military personnel at Fort Benning on or about August 15, according to Sgt. Louis Lipp of the Fort Benning Branch of the Muscogee county ration board.

A total of 25,000 of these application forms have been requested, Sgt. Lipp said, and will be available to military personnel requiring food ration books. Further information will be forthcoming at an early date, he stated.

Telephone Dial
System Ready

Change-over Slated
For 10:30 Tonight,
Col. Young Announces

Recently completed dial installations in Harmony Church, Sand Hill, and the Alabama area are ready for operation and conversion of all post telephones to dial system will take place Thursday night at 10:30 p. m. (EWT), according to Lt. Col. Alexander Young, chief of Fort Benning's signal branch.

No longer will it be necessary to contact operators in the different areas. Connections may be completed directly by dial, to all points on the post, with the exception of Alabama. To reach Alabama numbers, it will be necessary to dial O, post operator, who will in turn dial the desired party.

Industrialists
To Visit Fort

Party Arrives Monday
For Visit to Infantry,
Parachute Schools

Eight industrialists will arrive Monday morning at Fort Benning by plane from Washington for one day's tour of the post. After being met at Lawson Field, the party will be taken through the Parachute School where they will see all phases of training and a mass jump. Brig. Gen. Walter S. Fulton, will entertain at lunch to which high ranking officers and representatives of the Columbus Chamber of Commerce and press and radio have been invited.

In the afternoon the party will tour the Infantry School after which the men will leave for Washington. Accompanying the men will be Lt. Col. Keith Morgan, chief of the management branch in the Industrial Services Division of the Washington Bureau of Public Relations which is sponsoring the trip here. Coming here are: Downing P. Brown, president, Brown Company, manufacturers of chemicals and pulps, New York City; Col. Merrill G. Baker, executive vice president, Steel Foundry Society of America, Cleveland, O.; George W. Romney, managing director, Automotive Council for War Production, Detroit, Mich.; Fred B. Hovey, secretary American Surgical Trades Association, Chicago; Alfred V. Pinguin, managing director, Chinese and graduate of the University of California.

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First Regiment Company
Boasts Foreign Legion

France, Japan, China, Hawaii,
Philippines, Spain, U. S. Represented

In the records of the Student Training Brigade, the 12th company of the First Student Training Regiment is not listed as a "Foreign Legion" but the roster of the company smacks very distinctly of being just that.

In the company are 88 Frenchmen, five Japanese, three Chinese, three Hawaiians, four Filipinos, three Spaniards and the rest are Americans. Most of them are officers but some, among the French, are aspirants and officer candidates.

This company is taking a basic course in The Infantry School and will be the first to be graduated under the new 17 weeks program. The student commander is Lt. Nicholas J. Thermos, U.S.A.; second in command is Captain G. P. Ramin of the French contingent. Captain Henri Barbeau of the French Mission to the United States is the tactical officer of the French contingent.

Members of the company are not separated by nationality. They sleep, eat, drill and attend class together.

Lt. Theodore Sueoka, Honolulu born American of Japanese descent and a graduate of the University of Hawaii is bunking next to Lt. Sam G. Lew, American born Chinese and graduate of the University of California.

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Insurance Deadline
Set For August 10

Physical Exams to Be Required
Of All In Army For 120 Days

August 10 is the deadline for obtaining National Service Life Insurance without a physical examination, Lt. John W. Inzer, post insurance officer, reminded soldiers who have been in the army more than 120 days.

Formerly it was required that all soldiers, who had been in the army more than four months before applying for government insurance, take a physical examination.

The temporary waiver of physical requirements was due to the number of uninsured casualties in combat theaters, and the desire of the War Department to have all soldiers and their dependents adequately protected against combat risks.

Major Virgil W. Samms of the Adjutant General's office, insurance section, who has only recently returned to America from a tour of the South Pacific and Caribbean theaters, while visiting Fort Benning last week told local insurance officers that while a large percent of troops in continental United States were protected by government insurance, casualties in combat theaters revealed that in some cases 25 to 50 percent of the men were not protected with insurance.

He added further that for the benefit of the individual soldier and his dependents, the War Department was aiming at 100 percent coverage on all troops before they went overseas. Furthermore that it was the responsibility of the various unit commanders to see that the insurance program as a whole and the 120 day program in particular is carried to a successful conclusion.

Inzer said that Fort Benning units have shown a decided rise in participation since June 1 and that the goal of 100 percent coverage is not in the too distant future.

O. C. Director
Given Post
In Washington

Col. Coursey Gets
G-1 Assignment,
War Department

Col. Richard R. Coursey, Director of Officer Candidates of The Infantry School for the last 19 months, has been appointed to the G-1 Division of the War Department in Washington. He concluded his duties here this week and departed on a brief leave prior to reporting to Washington.

Col. Coursey, widely known throughout the U. S. Army for his work in military schools, is a native of Lynn, Ga., and was graduated from the U. S. Military Academy in 1918.

WEST POINTER
Having been graduated from West Point with a war class, Col. Coursey returned to the Point after the war to complete the regular course. On the completion of that course, he was enrolled in the first nine month's basic course here at The Infantry School. He was then assigned to the Fifth Division for a year. This tour was followed by four years of ROTC work, two of them at Georgia Tech and the other two at Gordon Institute, Barnesville, Ga.

In 1925 he was transferred to the Hawaiian Department where he served three years with the 21st Infantry. He returned to the United States in 1928 for a two-year tour of duty with the 12th Infantry at Fort Howard, Md.

Returning to ROTC work in 1930, the Colonel was named assistant professor of Military Science and Tactics at the University of Michigan, a position which he held six years. Then he took the Command and General Staff Course at Fort Leavenworth and was assigned in 1937 to West Point as assistant to the commandant, Major General Omar Bradley.

After serving in the First Student Training Regiment, he was appointed Jan. 1, 1942, to the position he has just vacated.

LAUDED BY WEEMIS
In connection with Col. Coursey's departure, Brig. Gen. George H. Weems, Assistant Commandant of The School said:

"Colonel Coursey was commander of the first group of officer candidates in comparison to the school and has been director of officer candidates throughout the entire period that thousands of them have been commissioned. He has exercised more influence in the selection of officers for the Army than any other man. In his work he has shown sound judgment and devotion to duty. He has never been swayed or influenced by any of the many other pressures that have been brought to bear. The success of the Officer Candidate system at The Infantry School is due, in great measure, to Colonel Coursey who devised that system and directed its development."

Post Mess to Launch
Drive On Food Waste

Four-Day Conference Results
In Pledge of Conservation

Continuing an unrelenting war against waste in Army messes, more than 1,400 officers and enlisted men, nurses, mess supervisors and civilians are pledged to a concerted campaign at Ft. Benning, as the result of a four-day conference on mess management and waste reduction.

The conference was arranged by Major Alexander H. Veazey, mess officer of the post, assisted by Lt. Clifford Clinton, who held nation-wide fame for his management of restaurants in California before entering the army.

One result of the conference will be a booklet on army mess procedure, containing new ideas and hints on cutting down on waste, it was announced.

Cartoonists will have to get a new stock subject—peeling of potatoes isn't done any more in the Army or at least it isn't. It should be, it was disclosed following a series of conferences on reduction of waste in foods at Fort Benning.

"Potatoes should be peeled only when they are to be mashed, otherwise they should be boiled, baked, even fried, with the jackets on to avoid waste of valuable food," was one edict issued. "And when you must peel potatoes, peel them thinner," was another message.

"The army is continually working to cut down on waste in all departments, and one of the most important is in food," Maj. Veazey pointed out. "We now are planning to slash waste to yet a new record here at Fort Benning. It is our aim to reduce mess waste to eight ounces per man per day for edible foods."



LT. COL. ALEXANDER YOUNG, chief of Fort Benning's signal branch, is shown testing the new dial installation in Harmony Church area, which is scheduled to go into operation Thursday night. At the same time similar service will be opened to Sand Hill and the Alabama area. Shown with Col. Young are Kenneth Kaiser (left), installation supervisor, and C. G. Townley, senior switchman and chairman of the dial coordination committee. (Signal Lab Photo by Carrington.)

'Boston Tommy' Finds Army Brings Him Too Close to Nature

He Prefers Soft Chaise Longue To Mossy Bank and Sunset

BY PRIVATE THOMAS DEVINE

To my mind the most objectionable feature of military life is the extent with which it brings the individual in contact with nature. With characteristic and paradoxical perversity man is forever praising nature and battling it at the same time. If nature is so darned wonderful as poets like Edwin Markham and Joyce Kilmer pretend to think why don't people just let the confounded thing alone? Nature simply is not man's natural element and it's just a lot of sentimental nonsense to pretend the contrary.

Born in the city I was perfectly happy in my proper milieu until quite an early age I learned to read. I don't know what sort of literature they feed to the very young nowadays but in the dawn of the present century juvenile primers gave nature a terrific bad rap; just carried on for pages about birds, trees, flowers and bees.

Like all publicity they only mentioned the favorable aspects of their topic. They described the birds' beautiful plumage without a word about what a chatter the beasty things make on for pages morning when good Christians are trying to sleep; they said nothing about the trees attracting lightning and hoarding caterpillars to drop on innocent cockneys who in ill advised moments wandered into the country for a day's pleasure. They mention the glorious colors of the flowers but ignore their role of producers of rose and hay fevers and while ex-

judgment, enticed into camping trips by my contemporaries. Always capable of profiting by experience I presently had forced upon my cognizance that it is a refinement of folly to depend upon any factor so capricious as nature when one has an art's disposal products of man's art.

On our first day out my more drille companions went halloo and stripped to the waist in accordance with their conceptions of what comprised the great outdoors conventionally 200 paces and blood shirt, duck trousers, canvas shoes and white topped peak caps. Now all these young creatures would groan and complain on every such occasion but never would they learn a lesson. I, on the contrary, of course was to get to close to nature if you will what I mean and I was willing to do this with certain reservations.

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NOISESOME COWS
Cows are nature, for instance, immediately perceived were awkward noisesome creatures requiring endless care and I pointed out to my seniors the palpable superiority of a mock up bovine in one of the concessions at a seashore amusement park. Artfully fashioned from plaster of paris and festively decorated with paint this hygienic animal produced germless ice cold milk upon the effortless turn of a spigot by means of a bleached blond, white clad dairy maid.

During adolescence, victimized by my own good nature, I occasionally was, against my own best judgment, enticed into camping trips by my contemporaries. Always capable of profiting by experience I presently had forced upon my cognizance that it is a refinement of folly to depend upon any factor so capricious as nature when one has an art's disposal products of man's art.

DAINTY DEJEUNER
The result was that while the other G. I.'s were squealing and grousing about their victuals I was basking in the deliciousness of the dainty dejeuner which the Marquary couldn't have surpassed even in the way of table appointments. I could go just as far as the spectacle I presented endeared me to my comrades—but then you can't have everything and I always preferred comfort to love.

On the other hand I was practically the toast of the barracks on one occasion when, on learning that a window washing contest was due the following day, I bought a bottle of patent window cleaner with sprayer attached, thereby giving us at least an hour extra of goldbricking time while the other platoons were sweating it out with much less satisfactory results.

Lots of people have the notion that Tigers don't walk—they're just crazy. We walked like crazy and here again those ridiculous 20 year olds were never able to leave bad enough alone. They'd go lying along at a much more undignified pace than we required them thereby demonstrating a vigor which no one ever thought of questioning in the first place.

TIGER FORSOOTH
When a beneficent arm decided I was Tiger material and endowed the 10th Armored division with my services my friends all thought it was terribly gay and no end of a dish, can just imagine them saying, "Get a load of that one would you, a Tiger forsooth, 'terry and destroy is it? Why he couldn't terrify a head waiter and he hasn't destroyed anything since the time he smashed his mother's Limoges tea set while climbing in the pantry and out of his high chaises."

However, it is well known that a prophet is without honor in his own country and while it is perfectly true that my attainments in terrorization and destruction left something to be desired I was pretty good at other things. For example, during calisthenics there was a certain performance known as "The General New-garden Neck Exercise." It involved a rotation of the shoulders and a thrusting out of the chin somewhat in the fashion of a person procuring a head of d'oeuvre. Now being at that critical time of life when, if a boy doesn't watch, out excess chins have a way of creeping up and moving in on him, I could do this gymnastic with some enthusiasm and allow me to say that I was spectacular at it.

MESS WITH NATURE
Inevitable, as I've previously remarked, there was an awful lot of messing around with nature in basic training. The trouble with the young men is that they insist upon battling such obstacles as nature presents while the more mature mentally simply ignore or sidestep them. When we'd got out to the firing range on a cold morning, those coltish G. I.'s would work themselves into a latter chopping down trees and building fires. They'd then squat around these blazing, roasting fires, chilling their rears and warming the soles of their feet with the wisdom of years would simply climb into the cab of the mess truck, nibble at a biscuit and read a paper backed shilling shocker.

I did used to have trouble in reconnaissance problems. I couldn't seem to develop any protective coloration. Never having gone in for this faddish cult of sun tan which I consider unhealthy and undistinguished, my pink and whiteness of countenance stood out with peculiar distinctness in the Georgia jungle and, bearing no resemblance to anything in nature, my shell rimmed spectacles were a further liability. As a sergeant once aptly observed, I was as evident as a 53rd street fire hydrant on the Tunisian desert. Well—no doubt I must have our limitations and I'll just bet that if any of those scoffers ever found themselves in Ireland they'd envy me my talent for nibbling at a biscuit and reading a paper backed shilling shocker.

FIELD MANUALS
One must grant that the United States armed forces take a lot less nonsense from nature than comparable organizations of other nations. The French, for example, keep cows, pigs and poultry on board their warships and you can see what it brought them to if you read the newspapers. The less demanding British content themselves with rodents and bed bugs in their naval branch but regard the fate of the "Renown" and the "Prince of Wales." We on the other hand have any number of anti-nature devices and a good part of the engineers' work is devoted to putting her in her place and keeping her there. Why the soldier's handbook has pages devoted to antidotes to nature and there are several field manuals which treat of nothing else.

So—I want none of your nature. Sentimental hypocrites can carry on indefinitely about natural scenery but can match my Grand Canyon with a Rockefeller Center and each Niagara

falls with a "Queen Mary." As for sunsets; often as not they are in vulgar bad taste and violate every known rule of color harmony. If Malisse or Picasso were to attempt anything like that, they'd be laughed out of the galleries. Show me the mossy bank which remotely compares with the comfort of a down cushioned chaise longue and even a grade A sparkling mountain brook and I'll give you a considerable amount of a humble "daquiri." All those who are in favor of the stand over there and I'll distribute my share of it to them on a pro-rata basis.

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WRONG ADJECTIVE
By the same token my insistence on bringing along a chafing dish with spirit lamp was a source of constant annoyance to my friends being not at all in the Dan Beard, Richard Haliburton or Harry Kemp tradition. On second thought I decided to transfer their amusement did end toward the finish of the trip. We found ourselves on a barren landscape on a damp evening. All efforts to start a cheery blaze by the approved Camp Fire methods were unavailing. All that remained of our provisions was some dried bread, a bit of stale cheese, a small tin of evaporated milk, and a can of condensed coffee, a bit of sugar, pepper and salt. My great outdoor companions were very grim and irritable.

In three shakes of a lamb's tail I had out my faithful chafing dish and before you could say "swish" to a swan I had produced the most toothsome English monkey ever whipped up on land or sea with steaming coffee to accompany it. To my own credit, I must add, I firmly suppressed a smug smile and indulged in no single recrimination.

CO-OP CABS
Then there was this business of eating in the field. In the matter of cuisine al fresco nature gives the minimum of cooperation; in fact she conspires against human comfort. The coffee always tastes like the concoctions some of the Roman emperors used to try out on their slaves and the food looks like something out of this world. (I don't know how it tastes, I never had the courage to try it.)

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Bill Creates Pharmacy Unit

A bill creating a Pharmacy Corps within the Medical Department of the Army and putting registered pharmacists on the same basis as veterinarians, dentists and doctors was signed by the President this week, according to information received at Fort Benning this week.

In its final form, one important change was made in the bill. The original called for the abolition of the Medical Administrative Corps and the substitution of the Pharmacy Corps in its place. As amended by the Senate and approved by the House the Medical Administrative Corps would be retained in addition to the Pharmacy Corps.

It was explained that the Medical Administrative Corps is considered a vital necessity by the Medical Department and that the establishment of a pharmacy section of the Reserve Officers Training Corps.

Following is the bill in part: That there is hereby established in the Medical Department of the Army a corps to be known as the "Pharmacy Corps." The Pharmacy Corps shall consist of seven grades, to be known as first lieutenant, second lieutenant, captain, major, lieutenant colonel, colonel and brigadier general. Appointments in the Pharmacy Corps, except as hereinafter provided, shall be made in the regular manner. The Pharmacy Corps shall be organized in accordance with the regulations and after such examinations as the Secretary of War shall prescribe. An officer of the Pharmacy Corps shall be promoted to the grade of first lieutenant after three years' service, to the grade of captain after six years' service, to the grade of major after twelve years' service, to the grade of lieutenant colonel after twenty years' service, and to the grade of colonel after twenty-six years' service. Provided, that officers of the Regular Army holding commissions in the Medical Administrative Corps on the date of enactment of this Act shall be transferred to the Pharmacy Corps and commissioned in grade in such corps in addition to the seventy-two years authorized for the corps.

Lt. O'Neill Is Ass't SS Officer, Service Club No. 4
Second Lieutenant Alfred M. O'Neill has just been appointed assistant special service officer at Service Club No. 4, according to an announcement made by Lt. Col. Charles C. Finnegan, special service officer at Post Headquarters.

Coming to Fort Benning and his new assignment, directed from Gainesville, Fla., where he completed the Administrative Officers' Course at the University of Tennessee, O'Neill took over the duties of Lt. Alexander A. Reed who has been transferred to Nashville, Tenn., in connection with the Army Specialist Training Program.

A native of San Francisco, Lieutenant O'Neill is a graduate of the University of California at Berkeley. In civilian life, Lieutenant O'Neill was connected with the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation of San Francisco and has traveled extensively for the company making a tour of inspection in the Orient besides branches in America.

It Was Still Drill, Regardless, Majors Declare
If you are willing to take some sage advice from Major Edward W. Diehl and Major Harold B. Eagle, you will find it a definite point that none of your dental appointments come due the day of a period of strenuous field work. These officers of the 1st Regiment, The Infantry School, have taken a terrific ribbing from the dental clinic because they happened to be in the dental clinic the morning of a particularly rough field exercise.

Taking it for granted that these two culprits are arrested it in order to escape trodding up and down the red clay hills of Georgia a thousand and one good natural taunts have been thrown in their direction since.

The biggest clamor of all comes up each day as the mess truck heads back toward the company street. "Last call for the Dental Clinic." "The firm qualification of a good leader is good teeth" are among the shouts that ring out from dozens of places as all eyes turn toward the victims of the joke. The two majors smile and wisely say nothing.

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538th Infantry Now Quartered At Sand Hill

Located in new quarters in the Sand Hill area and with its roster of trainees complete, the 538th Armored Infantry battalion began its formal training program last week. The recently activated unit had been quartered in the old ROTC area on the main post.

Major Milledge M. Beckwith, commanding officer, has initiated a program of organized athletics aimed at making a swimmer and scrapper of every man in the battalion. Sergeant Paul Thomas represented the 538th at two weeks of intensive instruction in functional swimming, conducted at Russ pool last month, and is qualified to give tests for Red Cross life saving certificates.

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QM Orders Canned Stock Out Of Storage

Move Being Made To Release Enough Space For 1943 Pack

To release storage space in canneries for the 1943 pack of fruits and vegetables, the Quartermaster Corps has issued shipping instructions for the removal from public storage of the remainder of the 1942 pack according to Col. Stephen B. Massey, director of supply at Fort Benning.

At the current rate of shipments the entire movement of some 10,000 cars is expected to be completed within a short time. In order to avoid unnecessary handling and shipping operations, the Quartermaster Corps contracted with the canners at the time of purchase to store the goods for 12 months from the date the purchase was made.

To interfere as little as possible with preparations for the 1943 pack and to enable canners to take in canning supplies and equipment well in advance of actual canning operations, the Quartermaster Corps began early in April to move its stocks from the canneries according to Colonel Massey. However, the movement was

spread over a period of several weeks in order not to throw an undue burden on the railroads and other transportation facilities.

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CAPTAIN FLIPPO
First Lieutenant Thomas H. Flippo of the Communications Group, Academic Department, The Infantry School, has been promoted to the rank of captain. Captain Flippo enlisted in 1923 in the Cavalry at Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia, and transferred to the 854 Field Artillery at Fort Benning, Georgia. In 1933 he was assigned to The Infantry School, Communications Section. He attended the Signal Corps School at Fort Monmouth, N. J. in 1936-1937 and became a master sergeant on his return to this post. In 1942 he was appointed Quartermaster Officer and in the same year received his commission as a first lieutenant. His present assignment is with the Communications Group, Academic Department, The Infantry School.

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"I have seen much war in my lifetime and I hate it profoundly. But there are worse things than war; and all of them come with defeat. The more you hate war, the more you know that once you are forced into it, for whatever reason it may be, you have to win it. You have to win it and get rid of the people that made it and see that, this time, it never comes to us again."—Ernest Hemingway.

Mussolini Is Out; Emmanuele's Move Now

The Italian Kingdom composed of a number of erstwhile independent small states has only existed since 1870. While it should have been mending its home fences it commenced instead a career of imperialistic expansion and was always on the verge of bankruptcy. Participation in the first World War further disrupted Italian economy and the nation in 1923 was nearly in anarchy.

Racketeers collected the revenues of the ports and civil government exercised no effective means of putting an end to the condition. A friend of the writer who lived in Florence said that they did not even dare let their cars out of the garage and his sister had to go hatless on the street as the wearing of headgear would indicate that she was a lady of quality and subject to molestation by unruly mobs.

In this contingency Mussolini who had organized the Fascist Party threatened the Crown, saying that if he were not offered power he would seize it. Having a forceful group to back him up, he was accepted by the King who, supposedly viewed him as the only alternative to chaos and nihilism.

Popular opinion in the United States and England, seeing with alarm the Bolsheviks in power in Russia and communism rising in Hungary, Germany and other European states, reluctantly recognized themselves to the existence of an absolute government in the realm of an ally, who had recently been on their side in a war for democratic principles.

At first, however, they could not be said to have approved of Fascism and it enjoyed a very poor press in Britain and the United States. For the first few years of his rule, however Mussolini devoted himself to home improvements. He cleaned up the cities, reclaimed waste land, instituted social reforms and made the railroads more efficient and generally busied himself with commendable domestic projects.

The result of this program was that England and ourselves presently altered our opinion of Mussolini's value, losing sight of the fact that he ostensibly gave material benefits with one hand and he robbed the people of certain human rights with the other. For some years during the latter 1920's our newspapers and magazines praised Fascist works to the skies.

In the early 1930's, however, the Italian premier commenced throwing his weight around and, in defiance of all remonstrances embarked on a completely unjust war on Ethiopia, drove the Grand Negus from his throne and added this ancient Christian Empire to the Italian Crown.

From then on Mussolini's menaces to world peace and his general behavior are notorious and the impunity with which he defied a world reluctant to embark on another bloody war pointed the way for Hitler with the result which we are now suffering.

Mussolini's chickens have now come home to roost and he has been deposed. What are the results of this event likely to be?

Obviously one can only guess and a man's hypothesis is only good in ratio to his knowledge of history and current European politics. The possibility of Mussolini's deposing being an elaborate Oppenheim plot in collusion with Hitler seems a little fanciful and a more obvious explanation appears more feasible. His popularity has been very much on the decline since his repeated military reverses in the present war. The Italian people have suffered severe losses and have utterly no prospect of recouping any of them. They are certain, in fact to emerge from the war with considerably less than they entered. No matter how strong and autocratic a government may be there is a point beyond which no amount of persuasion or force can keep in leash the resentment of a populace and, palpably that point has been reached.

A king who in theory is above politics is an exceedingly valuable institution. The crown of Savoy whatever criticism may be levelled at it for its complacency has a certain orthodox respectability which age and continuity endow. European peoples place considerably more importance in such matters than we do. Mussolini, one may be very sure, is an arch realist and even in his apogee must always have valued the Italian king as a figure around which the nation could rally in the event of a political debacle on the part of the Fascists. Such has proven to be exactly the case and the Italian people cannot accept the House of Savoy of anything worse than a toleration of Fascism. It could always be pleaded that the King had no alternative. In any case he provides a symbol of order and unity and something to cling to as a protector since he has a reputation, deserved or otherwise, for being fairly persona grata to the United States and England. Certainly there has never been any considerable democratic party in Italy with which the Allies could treat.

It seems unlikely, however, that Italy will immediately surrender unconditionally. For one thing we have been given to understand that there are strong German forces and military installations within the Kingdom. It seems highly unlikely that the Germans would abandon a move which, indeed would they relinquish to the Allies a territory which would form a base of operations against the continent in general and southeastern Germany in particular.

The Italian monarchy may think that its nuisance value in delaying operations might

form a bargaining point for a more lenient peace with the United Nations. They may figure that they can't win in any case since, even if they surrender, Italy will suffer the ravages of war. Her position under our domination would be analogous to that of France at the present under German hegemony. Impenetrable factors may rule otherwise but the writer's guess is that the Italians will continue for a while a delaying fight foredoomed to defeat. The only probable alternative to this being an overwhelming revolt of the people and a refusal of the soldiers to bear arms.

—T. D.

You Can't Fool Military Censors For Very Long

Contrary to popular belief the inability to keep secrets is by no means confined to the female sex. Get a bunch of G. I.'s together and their monkeylike chatter will presently give the scene a semblance of the weekly meeting of the Bingville Ladies' Current Events Club. If one of these "strong silent men" dear to the hearts of pot boiling novelists and movie script writers is ever discovered he ought to be made a state charge or public monument and installed in the Museum of Natural History.

Despite all the efforts on the part of the Army to impress men with the need of secrecy concerning their whereabouts there have been numerous cases where soldiers attempt to evade the precautions of the authorities showing an ingenuity thereby which might be more profitably put to better use.

One case discovered by the censors was an attempt by a soldier to tell his family where he was by using a different middle initial in addressing the envelope ultimately supplying the name of his location by reading the initials in order of pot marks. His efforts, however, were spied by fate because the letters, not being delivered in the sequence their writer planned, the place name was jumbled beyond recognition.

In another, instance a soldier bought two maps the size of his writing paper and gave one to a member of his family. A scheme was devised whereby he would prick a hole in the paper in such a manner that when overlaid on the map's duplicate it would reveal to his correspondents at home his geographical situation.

Military censors are sent to schools and specifically trained to detect such subterfuge as these and similar. It is a very serious offense to divulge the whereabouts of troop units. The soldier who does so is jeopardizing not only his own life but the safety of his entire outfit and is hampering the prosecution of the war. That such willful stupidity should be tolerated by military authorities is unthinkable and infractions whenever detected will be severely punished.

Am I Doing My Share To Help Win This War?

A boy died last night. It doesn't make much difference about his name. The important thing is that he died in poignant and awful loneliness out somewhere on a waste of sand, out in starless silence, 10,000 miles from home. "Missing in action" read an obscure line in this morning's communique. That was all. Now he lies there crumpled beside the twisted wreckage that yesterday was his ship—tossed high in the sunlit heavens—reaching out and touching the hands of God. The fine head and the shining face and the broad shoulders remain only in a picture that looks out upon a quiet living on a shaded street an eternity away.

Last night in those agonizing hours of unspeakable isolation, he went through a thousand deaths without the one thing that might have helped a little—the sound of a familiar voice, the pat of a friendly hand. Many people died last night in their beds at home, surrounded by those who cared. Last night he died in utter desolation, in an unimaginable loneliness. The pain was terrible enough. But then there had to be that dreadful burden of thought in those endless last hours. Mom and Pop. The flowers blooming in the back yard. The good old roadster in the driveway. The last sweetheart kiss at the station. Those dances last summer. The half finished letter in his blouse. All those plans for the future—all the glorious accoutrements of youth. Buddies back at the field 5,000 miles across the water, wondering. Couldn't somebody find him, please? That wracking pain again.

Too much for you, all this. Well, it really happened last night just like that. And it'll happen again tonight. If people could only understand it, if they would just grind deep into their own thinking and consciousness the stark reality of it, then every petty, selfish interest would be swept away. They would sacrifice and anything and everything just to make themselves worthy of that boy. They would hasten, yes, gladly, to forge an instrument of revenge that would wipe from the earth the traffickers in war.

People would rise and demand that their government take anything, exactly everything—make them walk, feed them the commonest fare, black out every city, take away every penny of profit, render uncertain every commonplace comfort and easy security—just to avenge that boy.

He died last night.

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An O.C.'s life is very grim. He's on the ball or on limb. He's up, he's down, or doesn't know, If he'll get to stay, or have to go.

He writes his wife and says it's swell, In all his work he's doing well. He can lie to her in every letter. But . . . His Tactical Officer knows him better.

At night he sleeps, but not too much, He dreams of Graded Tests, and such. He has one A, some B's and S's And sweats the rest up from doubtful D's.

He thinks his tests are up to snuff Then finds that tests are not enuff . . . His Voice and Command do not jell. The T.O. says they're weak as hell.

What can he do to rectify Mistakes he's made in weeks gone by; He tried so hard, or so he thought. For a small gold bar that can't be bought.

When commencement comes at long last 'round, And good O.C.'s are homebound bound; Heav'n help the guy who says in blunder "There goes another three-month wonder!"

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USO Presents—

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The service clubs operated by the United Service Organizations in Columbus and Phenix City are not eight different units vying with each other for the soldier's patronage and attention. . . . They are offsprings of the same parent—all working toward the same goal.

They are, in fact, organized and operated to supplement one another's activities. . . . Each has its particular feature with a program or sort of "routine" built around that point. . . . Several USO clubs offer dormitory facilities, others do not. . . . Certain clubs by their very architecture offer better reading and writing facilities which other units due to their compactness cannot. . . . Due to limitations of space, all of the organizations do not have large auditoriums, but that is taken care of with one unit having a huge auditorium.

All of the USOs do, however, offer many of the same facilities with but slight variations. . . . Information services, lounging, personal counseling, reading, writ-

ing, games, music and refreshments will be found at all of the clubs.

A picnic to the old Phenix City waterworks will be sponsored Saturday afternoon from the USO in Phenix City. Mrs. Kathleen Smith, program director, announced. . . . Features of the day will be swimming, boating, horseshoe pitching and badminton. . . . Reservations should be made soon as possible for the party which will leave at 5:30 p. m. (EWT) from the club. . . . 50 soldiers are invited.

If you've missed Mel Tolbert, program director at the Salvation Army USO at 1323 Broadway in Columbus, it's because she has been confined to her home with a sprained knee. . . . Better watch that badminton game, Mel.

The 176th Infantry Regiment "spirits" will be in charge of the Army Hour, all soldier program from the Army - Navy YMCA - USO, Sunday at 5 p. m. (EWT). . . . They will provide the music and entertainment.

Thought--For Food

"Who riseth from a feast With that keen appetite that he sits down?" All things that are, Are with more spirit chased than enjoyed. . . ."

Several important facts were disclosed by the Food Conference conducted last week by the Office of Mess Supervision at Fort Benning, with more than 1,400 officers, mess sergeants, civilian personnel and others attending.

There exists considerable lack of uniformity and consistency in operation of Army messes. It was shown. Avoidable waste does exist, and can be cut even more than it has been—but more than food conferences are needed to accomplish all possible savings, was the consensus following this particular conference.

To meet present needs, the OMS at Benning has decided to publish a booklet that will give a step by step program that has proved effective in mess operations and conservation programs.

Before completing this

booklet, the office would like to hear from all mess officers and personnel on the post. They want ideas—any ideas or plans that anybody may have.

As food more and more becomes the critical material of war and peace, it is apparent that many are doomed to die for want of food.

The circle around our enemies is being drawn ever tighter as food bases are bombed and supply lines are cut. Lack of food in Germany is going to play an important part in deciding the outcome of the war. Many who will suffer will be our friends who have waited and hoped for deliverance from the Nazi yoke. We must be prepared to feed them as soon as we have liberated them.

It is up to every American to take the personal steps necessary to conserve waste wherever we can. We must stretch every available ounce of food as far as possible. In this war food is ammunition.

Journey's End



THE VANISHED HAND

Chaplain F. M. Thompson

As one travels along life's pathway recollections of childhood days flood memory's chambers. We would throw of the cares and vexations of body and spirit and return to the scenes of long ago.

Backward, turn backward, O Time, in your flight! Make me a child again, Just for tonight.

Sometimes we follow our longings and find to our dismay—everything has changed. Oh no! The home in which you were born, a little more perhaps is still the same. Likewise the brook, the hills, the folks. We have changed. The satisfactions of childhood no longer satisfy. We may retrace our boyhood steps but we can never recapture our boyhood vision. That has gone forever.

By other means we try to regain lost joys. It is said eastern magicians can take the ashes of a flower and bring it back to life and beauty. We are very certain they cannot. Nor can you take that piece of ribbon, the little shoe, the old letter, mementoes of gladness hours and bring back the happiness of heart days. The aching heart knows only too well the futility of all such endeavors. The stateship goes on—To their haven under the hill; But O for the touch of a vanished hand, And the sound of a voice that is still.

THE WAACS AND THE HEAT

When I hear the girls in the barracks, protest Against the heat and the sun, I laugh up my sleeve, and give them a grin, For to me their griping is fun.

When I see them so wilted, and mopping their brows Exclaiming—they've water for bones, I offer no help to my comrades in arms My heart must be filled with just stones

They listlessly sit, on their lockers and bunks While signing for mountains and benches. Of their homes farther north, than the State which they're in that is known for red clay and its peaches.

From Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Vermont and New York These girls are quite hard to beat, They've never met anything, they could not lick Until now, as they fight Georgia heat.

"Just wait, it gets hotter," in fiendish delight I tell them the worst, which is true, Someday I'm going to make up and find,

I've jested enough, I should be ashamed, To laugh at their misery and woe, I'll tell you the real reason of why I could laugh

I'm a native of Georgia, you know. Aux. Henry W. Bishop, 43rd WAAC Post Hqs.

Key Says—

SHE COULD BEAT GEORGIA WEATHER BUT FOR R 2 THINGS

At last I'm beginning to understand the meaning of that time-worn expression, "It isn't the heat, it's the humidity." The phrase must have originated in Georgia, no doubt engendered by some weary native struggling through his third or fourth week of "continued warm, not much change in temperature."

It isn't the heat that gets you down. It's the way your clothes stick to you, the way that prickly heat spreads until you're one vast, suffering stretch of itching epidermis. It's that odor of mold and stale air in the house which no amount of airing and sunning will remove. It's the knowledge that weather like this, with only a few breaks, may continue until the middle of September or later.

I was told about Georgia summers when I first came here; not by Georgians, who seem to revel in a good blast of hot, humid air, but by persons new to the climate. I laughed at them, as has survived a person who had survived the hot months in Southern California, and a sweltering heat wave in Chicago.

In fact, I set out to show them they were wrong. For three months, during the hottest of the summer, I went along at top speed ignoring the thermometer. Mid-afternoon, when some persons were inside relaxing, found me trotting over to the post office

ignoring a brassy, glaring sun. Still imbued with the midwestern idea of housewifely virtues, I brewed and baked, cleaned and swept, washed and ironed with right good will. At the end of summer I was a dreary-looking wight, and the fight between a Georgia summer and myself ended with me hanging on the ropes.

But now I think I have this heat proposition licked. My plan requires a bit of maneuvering, and will be resorted to only under extreme stress. But if it comes to a question of survival you may find me, between the hours of 2 p. m. and 6 p. m., ensconced in a tub of cool water, a fan stirring the air and a book in my hand.

Let the baby cry over his bruises and bumps; let the man of the house demand a button sewed on or an early dinner; let the laundress fail to show up or the phone ring incessantly. They'll get no help from me. Friends may call, duty may beckon, Berlin may fall—you'll still find me in a tub of cool water between the hours of 2 p. m. and 6 p. m.

It's a lovely dream. If it weren't for babies and husbands and Red Cross and groceries, I might be able to manage it. Until such time as I can perfect my method of keeping cool, I suppose I'll be sweltering along with the rest of you. There's only one consolation, as far as I can see, it isn't the heat, it's the humidity.

Sgt. McDonald's Basket

THE OL' BOY HAS TO ACCEPT FOR ONCE

"Sergeant!" bellowed Colonel T. P. Swampwater, "you are two minutes late for work this morning! Tell me in no uncertain terms the exact reason for this deficiency."

"Huh!" I replied, not entirely at ease.

"I mean why in the h--- were you late?"

"Oh, er well 'er I, Sir," I exclaimed, trying not to flinch before the steely grey stare of my commanding officer's revolving eyes. "You see it was this way, I'er was 'er—"

"Shades of Salome, Sergeant!" interrupted the ol' boy "Haven't you learned yet that a good soldier never makes excuses. Battles are won by men who never fail, who always have a reason for what they do, by men who lead the way."

"Yes, Sir," I rejoined. "Don't interrupt a superior officer, when he is rambling!"

"Yes, Sir," I replied.

"Sergeant, as I was saying before you interrupted me I am very much perplexed over your conduct this morning. I am tempted to 'bust you' down to Pfc. but my big, noble, generous, nature won't let me do it. No, by thunder, I am going to give you another chance. A chance to show me some real soldiership!"

"Yes, Sir," I interrupted, "But may I say one thing, Sir?"

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"Yes, Sir," I said, strutting out the office with my nose in the air.

Stamp Club

Thanks to the PRO, the Fort Benning Stamp Club will have this corner weekly. Its purpose is to bring you interesting items about stamp collecting and news of the activities of the Club, with special emphasis on extending a sincere welcome to all collectors or potential collectors—off or on the post. The Club meets on the 10th and 25th of each month in the Library of Service Club No. 1 on the main post, and we repeat: everybody is welcome. So let's have a good crowd on August 10.

Quite a bit was accomplished at our second meeting on July 21. Election of officers turned out as follows: President, Pfc. Bill Hafner, 176th Inf.; vice president, W. I. Amster, ASTP BTC, Inf. Sch.; secretary, Sgt. Richard L. Heyl, 53d Gen. Hosp.; and corresponding secretary, Sgt. W. Haynes, Post Hqtrs.

The special series of U. S. stamps honoring the Axis over-run and occupied countries of Europe, marches on. The Post Office Dept. announces that the fourth stamp in the series honors Luxembourg and will be placed on sale at Washington, D. C., on August 10.

The original set up on this series did not include Denmark, but it has been recently made known that that country will be added. A. E. Fide of Denver deserves much credit for his efforts toward securing well deserved recog-

"Certainly Sergeant! Free speech is the unalienable right of every soldier—provided, of course, it isn't too free."

"Yes, Sir," I agreed.

"And, Sergeant, because of my nobleness, my foresight and my uncalculable ability to evaluate human nature, I am going to let you tell me your little alibi—your feeble little reason for being two minutes late. So out with it."

"Yes, Sir," I replied, at the same time clearing my throat. "er you see, Sir, when I was on my way to work this morning I passed by your house as usual."

"Yes, Sergeant! Proceed."

"Well, Sir, I happened to look up and guess what, Sir?"

"What, Sergeant?"

"Your house was on fire!"

"Shades of Salome! Sergeant why in blue blazes didn't you tell me Egdad?"

"I was going to, Sir, that's why I was gonna tell you about being two minutes late—I stopped to call the fire department."

"Shades of Salome! Sergeant, what will I do?" continued the ol' boy, tearing his hair and juggling the telephone wire.

"Nothing, Sir, the fire truck put out the blaze with very little damage!"

"Well, Shades of Salome Sergeant."

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Polecat Puts Officer In Very 'Bad' Graces

It happened a month ago—but the effects linger on. Captain Theodore Ellsworth, student in the 2nd company, 1st Student Training Regiment TIS, went stumbling through the woods and swamps north of Custer Road on a map problem.

It was a dark night and Captain Ellsworth thought the darkness, the rough terrain, the low flying planes, the mosquitoes and the heat were about all a human being could endure. But he found there was more to it than that to his total discomfort, something that made the terrain and all its terrors seem insignificant. The good captain stumbled over what zoologists might call green heron. But what the captain knew was a plain ordinary polecat.

Somehow he managed to get through the problem and back to the starting point. His classmates immediately declared the truck to be his presence immensely. But somehow he did get back to the company area.

The funniest part about it all is this: Captain Ellsworth hung his rancid outdoors so it could receive the maximum benefit of wind and weather. Four weeks later, the rancid odor carried the rancid but it turned up missing. The theft was reported to Major Donald J. Boddicker, the company commander. However, anything could be done about it, the coat reappeared on its outdoor hook. That was one mistake even a blind man could have noticed immediately. Captain Ellsworth is once again back in the good graces of his fellow students.

Hearing Tales of Woe All In Day's Work at Ft. Benning Rationing Board

Army chaplains have nothing on the rationing board when it comes to listening to tales of woe. Claims Sgt. Louis Lipp, board secretary.

Need for hard-to-get shoes, tires, gasoline, more food for army families, food points for personnel on separate rations, and a million and one other problems arise before the board by a daily average of 700 soldiers and soldiers' wives who want action immediately or sooner, the sergeant said.

The officers in the provost marshal's office now are staffed by eight men, rounding out the first full year of acting under the present rationing set up. It started off, of course, with Sergeant Lipp and another man handling gasoline problems. Then came tire rationing, then food rationing, then shoe rationing. With each additional bit of work came new problems, new rules and regulations to be studied, new problems.

Demand for gasoline books still constitute more than the business. About 2,500 books are issued each month. Each person must make an average of three calls before the rationing goes through. And that means a lot of calls and personal interviews.

Besides caring for all the flow of normal business, Sergeant Lipp and his staff have to know a lot of things. They know the mileage, to an inch, of practically any given point within a 20-mile radius to any point on the post. They know the mileage and routes

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Hill-Billy Music Artist Joins 1st Regiment

Johnnie Barfield, one of the South's most popular "hill-billy" songsters and composers, now boasts a new audience—the enlisted personnel of the 23rd Company, 4th Battalion, First Student Training Regiment, The Infantry School, Barfield, who carries a repertoire of at least two thousand songs, many of which are original, was recently transferred from Camp Croft, S. C., for advanced radio training.

A native of Georgia and a resident of Columbus prior to entering the service last December, his entertainment has been widespread over the past thirteen years. Composer of "Boogie-Woogie," "Numbers Blues," and several other favorite recordings, the work of Johnnie Barfield, the well-known in this section of the country and as far north as Pennsylvania.

Both the National Broadcasting Company and the Columbia Broadcasting System have carried the programs of Johnnie Barfield over the air-waves, and now his music is supplying one of those vital morale aids for the men of the 4th Battalion.

G. I.'s Attempt To Bring Up Orphaned Pups

Nellie was a good girl dog and a strictly G. I. mascot of Company B, the 176th Infantry of The Infantry School troops. But she couldn't understand automobiles and didn't trust other dogs near her puppies.

Twelve days after she gave birth to two pups, seven of which lived, she chased a dog away from her kennel near the curtail of the 176th and then got tangled up with an automobile. It was her last chase.

Undaunted, members of B company chipped in to buy seven nursing bottles and nipples—and are attempting to raise the puppies.

Sgt. C. R. Turner, one of their foster parents, recalls that Nellie's mother, Boots, joined the unit at Anacostia, D. C., in 1942. Nellie was one of nine pups. Her brothers and sisters were taken home by various members of the company when they went on furlough. But Nellie remained as the company mascot.

She went with the outfit on its maneuvers, sleeping near Sgt. Turner but paying a lot of attention to S-Sgt. Louis Rockercharlie and T-4 Tony Tumolo, of the mess department. She wasn't used to barracks, preferred tents. And civilians? She disliked them cordially.

When she was killed," said Sgt. Turner, "we didn't know what to do. But Nellie was a game dog and we couldn't let her down. So Tumolo bought the bottles and now we're feeding her. We hope to get a mascot replacement from the litter."

Turner said the puppies are doing well, well enough to be photographed.

W. O. KIRKLAND

Tech Sgt. Walter F. Kirkland, Jr., of the Finance Detachment, Main Post, at Ft. Benning, has been appointed a warrant officer (junior grade), it is announced. Warrant Officer Kirkland was inducted into the Army May 28, 1941. He has been a member of the Main Post Finance Detachment since June 4, 1941. He was a resident of Shreveport, La., for several years prior to his induction.

CAPTAIN RAFFERTY

First Lieutenant Thomas A. Rafferty, Automotive Section, Academic Regiment, The Infantry School has been promoted to the rank of captain and captain's rank was called to active duty October 1, 1941, and was assigned to the Officers' Basic Course at Fort Benning. Upon completion of the basic course he was assigned to Camp Robinson, Ark., and served as platoon leader. He attended the Officers' Motor Maintenance Course, The Infantry School, Fort Benning, Ga., in 1942-1943 and upon completion was retained here as instructor in Motor Maintenance.

The rumor that John L. Lewis' picture is pinned up in the soldiers' tents overseas may be said to be without foundation.

member of the ROTC. He received his Reserve Commission in 1930. Col. Lipscomb recently graduated from the advance course of The Infantry School.

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October 15 Deadline For Yuletide Mailing

Postmaster Says No Soldier Requests Needed During Period

Christmas mail for members of armed forces overseas should be mailed between September 15 and October 15 for Army personnel, and October 15 and November 15 for Navy personnel, according to Robert F. Richardson, superintendent of the Fort Benning Branch Post Office, who also outlined the procedure to write a prisoner of war.

Both Christmas parcels and Christmas cards for the Army personnel overseas must be mailed during the month period beginning September 15, during this time only no requests from the addressees are required in connection with sending the Christmas parcels.

The indorsement "Christmas parcel" should appear on each gift parcel. Special effort will be made to effect delivery of all Christmas parcels mailed during that period in time for Christmas.

Christmas parcels should not exceed the present limits of five pounds in weight, 15 inches in length and 36 inches in length and girth combined. The public is urged not to include food and clothing as the members of the armed forces are amply provided with these necessities.

PACKAGE WEEKLY Not more than one Christmas package shall be accepted for mailing in any one week when sent by or on behalf of the same person or concern to or for the same addressee.

Due to the great distances this mail must be transported and the handling and storage it must undergo, it is necessary that all parcels be packed in metal, wood, or solid fiberboard, or strong double-layered corrugated fiberboard or strong fully telescoping cardboard boxes. The fiberboard or cardboard boxes must be securely wrapped in strong paper and tied with twine. As each parcel is handled, the name, rank, Army serial number, branch of service, or organization, A. P. O. number of the addressee, and the post office through which the parcels are to be routed.

It is recommended that postal money orders be used to transmit gifts of money to members of the armed forces outside the continental United States. Cash remittances are discouraged because many places where soldiers are stationed there is a local prohibition against the importation of United States money, and it could not be used if received. However, domestic postal money orders can be cashed at army post offices wherever they are located, and they are paid in local foreign currency.

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Care of the Japanese Red Cross, Tokyo, Japan.

Via New York, New York.

The upper left corner of the envelope should be labeled: "Prisoner of War Mail," and the right upper corner should be marked: "Postage-Free." If the name of the camp where John is a captive is known, this should always be specified. The name and address of the sender should be on the back of the envelope.

The procedure for prisoners in Germany and Italy is the same except that both Germans and Italians give their prisoners numbers, about which families are notified. This number should be included. Also the Italian number their prison camps, and for the Swiss to the Swiss Committee in Switzerland.

WAR PRISONERS Letters cannot be transmitted to any prisoner of war unless he has been officially listed as such. This means that his name has come from the enemy, through the Swiss to the office of the Army's provost marshal general and has been officially published by that office.

Letters to prisoners so listed should not be sent to the provost marshal general's office for forwarding, however. If, for example, a person has been notified that Pvt. John A. Smith was captured in the Philippines and is being held at a certain camp by

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city and country in which it is located, and follow this with "via New York, New York."

On the reverse of the envelope give your complete name and address.

Keep the letter as short as possible and, again, discuss only personal affairs.

From any branch of the American Red Cross you can obtain international Red Cross inquiry forms with which you may inquire through the Swiss about a civilian American in enemy

hands. This is a simpler procedure, and the International Red Cross tries to obtain a reply which transmits back to you on the reverse of your own inquiry.

At present there is no means of forwarding personal packages to civilians interned abroad.

WAAC Helen Spangler, who is stationed in Iowa, and her husband John, a soldier in Texas, were promoted to staff sergeant on the same day.

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Sportscasting

BY SGT. CARL NEU

BEST NEWS of the week is the announcement that the 124th Gators, post grid champions, will again field an eleven this fall and it will be coached by Henry Red Milton who guided the regiment to the laurels last fall. Milton, then a captain and now a major, is currently pursuing a course of instruction at TIS, but will return to the Gator area in a couple of weeks and is expected to issue the first practice call shortly thereafter.

The former Georgia Bulldog line star started from scratch last year with the orange and blue and developed a really great eleven by mid-season. After a slow start, when they lost their first two titles against strong collegiate opposition, the great Gator eleven hit its stride and swept to seven straight wins to make a clean sweep of the Fort Benning Conference and also add the scalp of two outside rivals.

Pre-season prospects indicate that when Milton calls the first practice, almost every member of the great 1942 squad will report. Only notable missing will be Claude Hackney, the ex-Davidson back, who is now an officer in the Air Forces. But the rest of the championship cast will be back including such luminaries as Roy Costery, the great triple-threat back and Mr. Big of Benning football; Nick Calos, the place-kicking quarterback; Stan Engler, a rambling fullback; Vern Smith, the wingback; Junior Bell and Pete Pieten, the great ends; Al Berali, a powerful tackle; and Green Howard, all-conference guard, as well as a host of others.

To add to this nucleus from the 1942 championship club, Milton will have a wealth of new talent fresh from the college campus. This list includes two members of Georgia's Rose Bowl eleven, and another pair from Alabama's Crimson Tide which won the Orange Bowl encounter. The Bulldogs are Lamar Davis, varsity wingback, and Jim Todd, who often spelled Sinkwich at fullback. Sam Sharp, regular end, and reserve tackle Jack McKewen, are the Alabama lads who will wear Gator colors. Then, too, there is Bill Staus, great Iowa fullback from last fall, and Bill Corey, who used to play center for Lou Little's Columbia Lions in Ivy League circles. Fordham's Bob Fitzgerald and Texas A and M's Joe O'Leary are two more ex-collegians who will cavort in orange and blue on the Doughboy Stadium turf.

With such an array of talent, the Gators will naturally enter the field as a ranking favorite to retain their post laurels, although the competition is expected to be plenty tough. The 124th also hopes to book several outside opponents and Capt. James Brooks, the former University of Cincinnati grid manager who is once again handling business details on Milton's staff, is already busily engaged contacting outside service elevens and several top-ranking colleges. All in all, it looks like another great grid season for the Gators, and with Milton at the helm once again, you can look for plenty of thrills.

THE UNPREDICTABLE George Cave, crack 300th Infantry right-hander, once again upset the Doughboy Sunday night when he pitched a four-hitter to send the 176th Spirits reeling to their first loss in the TIS race. Cave has been just what the 176th needed. When last expected to win, he has stepped up and the mound and hurled masterfully. When given a breather, he has often been shellacked from the mound. No one can figure him out, least of all his manager, Lieut. Lefty Francis.

One thing is certain though. When Cave really wants to bear down, he really can acquire himself well and the Spirits will be the first to testify in his behalf. Sunday night he was superb, racking up the fort's only no-hit, no-run game of the current season, and on several other occasions, the red-head has pitched beautifully. Withal, though, the former Baltimore Oriole is uncertain at other times. Our impression is that if Cave really gave out every time he stepped to the mound, he'd be the number one hurler at the fort. He certainly can do it when he wants to, and you'll surely hear more about the tempestuous red-head before the season wanes.

SPEAKING OF Cave and Sunday night's game, that battle drew the largest crowd of the season to Gowdy Field, an overflow crowd of more than 6,000 fans which would be the envy this season of even the big league clubs. As a matter of fact, that mob was the largest to attend a game at Gowdy since the spring of '41 when an equally large gathering watched the Cincinnati Reds and Boston Red Sox play an exhibition game here. For all we know, the Sunday night attendance might have been the largest to ever witness a game at Gowdy. It's hard to tell. And why not? The calibre baseball and the tenseness of the games almost every night could not be equalled by most of the stronger minor leagues in the country. Yeah, the fans are really getting great baseball—and all for free, too!

LAWSON FIELD'S crack softball team is expected to enter the district eliminations of the national softball tournament which will probably be held right here in Columbus sometime in August. If the Filers are successful, they will then move on to Atlanta for the state finals, and perhaps go to the regional tourney in North Carolina and the nationals in Detroit. Ninety per cent of the team this year are expected to come from the regular season. Lieut. Lawson will enter rates as good as any we've heard of around these parts. For tournament play, the Filers will add the services of Earl Varchmin, Benning's best softball hurler, who nominally belongs to the 1st Academy Company of the Paratrooper Division. Varchmin, however, Varchmin pitches for Lawson since he is quartered in the Lawson area and also played in the Lawson League. With Varchmin hurling and Lawson's strong team to back him up, the Filers may go a long way in the nationals. Here's hoping.

WHEN EWELL Blackwell, the long, lean 124th Gator, hurled the Harmon Church, he pitched a four-hitter, and many fans wondered at his mound proficiency. If they'd look in this year's baseball bible at his record, however, they wouldn't be surprised at the skill with which he fanned Ziegler, Dabbs and Niebler in the seventh after the first two batters had hit safely. It's a fact that last year with Syracuse in the International League, Blackwell had an earned run average of 2.02 per game which ranked third highest in the league.

His own and last record was not quite so impressive, but he did rack up 15 triplets against the 176th Spirits during the regular season for the regular season. However, it was in the post-season Governor's Cup series that the lanky hurler really shined. In the nine games of the series played by the Chiefs, Blackwell accounted for three victories to lead the Syracuse nine into the little world series against the Columbus nine of the American Association. Unfortunately, though, Blackwell took just before the first two batters had hit safely. It's a fact that last year with Syracuse in the International League, Blackwell had an earned run average of 2.02 per game which ranked third highest in the league.

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SHORT SHOTS—A post wide tennis tourney for enlisted men is the next item on the Gator calendar. B. A. A. sponsorship. Announcement will be made next week. . . 124th Gator officers still hold the lead in the officers' softball league with a record of 17 wins against one defeat. . . 244th Field Artillery nine in TIS League has been combined with the 124th and the team will now be known as the Artillery Group. . . It may provide some fireworks for the other nine who have assigned the Gunners to the cellar slot. . . Lieut. Dan Canale, 3rd STR officer, who recently won the officers' singles title at the post, was the No. 1 player on Notre Dame's tennis team in 1940, 1941 and 1942 and also the Irish in his senior year. The 176th and 300th are both getting whipped up about golf these days which means the 124th Gators get some healthy links competition one of these days. . . Lieut. Roger Reeves and his 300th boxers are now working out daily in the post gym and the former T. C. U. state champion has a neat looking prospect. . . The 4th Training Regiment minor league baseball team and the ASPT lads have replaced the 24th Hospital in the Fort Benning League. Fine.

Fur Will Fly In Stadium Ring Friday As Panther Boxers Face Bent Beezers

He's Top Hurler

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3rd STR Sluggers and Tuskegee Fliers Meet In 12 Red Hot Fights

Dynamite Daniels Of Golden Glove Fame Battles Ed Perry in Wind-Up

Fur will fly aplenty in Doughboy Stadium tomorrow night at 8:45 when the Fort Benning Panthers begin slashing their gloved claws at the famous Bent Beezer Club ringmen from Tuskegee Army Flying School over Alabama way.

Twelve fast, thrill-packed bouts are carded for the first inter-camp boxing card of the summer season and one of the largest crowds to ever witness an athletic event at the fort is expected to throng into the spacious arena to watch the colored lads in action.

Climax bout of the evening will bring together the colorful Dynamite Daniels, the former national Golden Glove champ from Newark, N. J., and Ed Perry of the Bent Beezers. Perry is also an ex-Golden Glove champ and hails from Detroit, the stamping grounds of Joe Louis.

The Daniels-Perry fracas will provide a five-round windup that is expected to keep the crowd howling from start to finish. The dynamic Dynamite, always a Benning favorite, is expected to tip the scales at 135 while Perry will go two pounds heavier at 137 pounds.

Daniels has worn the Panther colors into Benning rings several times in the past year, but rarely been a winner, simply because he was always pitted against the former world's bantam champion, George Face of the 1st STR Service Battalion.

The Panther team that will enter the stadium squared circle tomorrow night has been prepared for the Bent Beezer engagement by a pair of nationally-known heavyweights, Eddie Jackson and Tim Still. Unfortunately, neither of the Panther heavies will have a chance to perform against Tuskegee, since the visitors have no one experienced enough to compete against either Jackson or Still.

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HURLER Prendergast was on dangerous ground only in the 6th inning when Sorel singled, Berry doubled and Glick followed with another single, loading the base. Big Jim settled down, struck out Silverman and Kerle and forced Rosack to ground out in the infield.

COMPLETE CARD The complete card follows with the Panthers listed first: Dynamite Daniels vs. Ed Perry; Jimmy Mitchell vs. Lefty Boston; Terry Livingston vs. M. C. Daniels; Joe Noble vs. John Knox; Pete Davis vs. Bill Mayberry; Dick Irvin vs. John Morelli; Joe Williams vs. Andy Simon; Sammy Wilson vs. George Reed; Edgar Rogers vs. Clarence Wiley; Bill Young vs. Tommy Horne; Danny Harris vs. Nelson Wright; and Oris Smith vs. Tony Jones.

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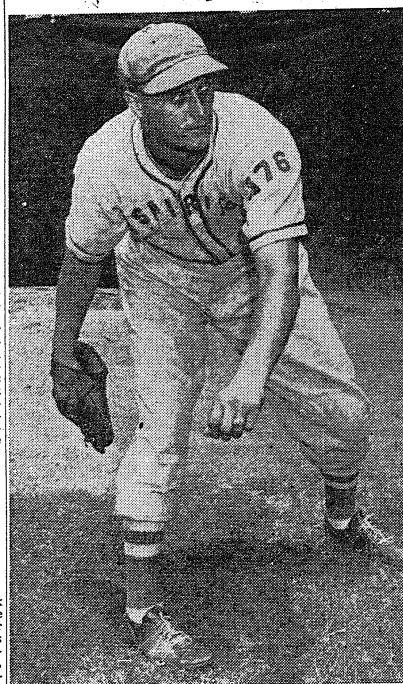
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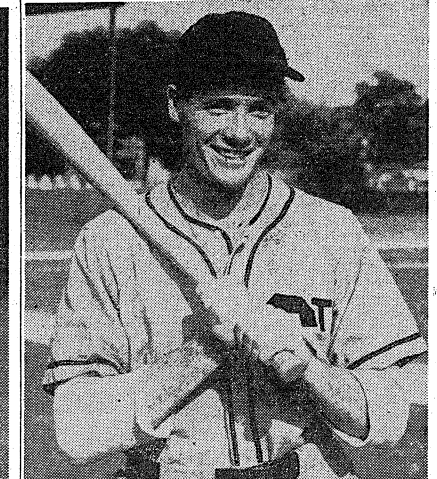
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LEFTY WISSMAN, crack southpaw of the 176th Spirits is generally recognized as Benning's top moundsman as the season approaches the climax stage. The Spirit ace was with Rochester in the International League last season and is the property, of course, of the St. Louis Cardinals. His superior work on the hill is the major reason why the 176th nine is now deadlocked for first place in the TIS League. (Signal Lab Photo by Ruiter.)



RED McCLUSKEY, stellar third baseman for the 6th Training Regiment Eagles in the TIS League, has paced the loop in hitting practically all season. His current average is .459 and he threatens to keep up his terrific stickwork until season's end. Slated for duty with Montreal in the International year after being with Cedar Rapids in the Three-I last season, the hot corner guardian is the property of the Brooklyn Dodgers. (Signal Lab Photo by Ruiter.)

Rudy Rundus Boasts Fine Mound Record With Profs

By PFC. JOHNSTON C. WOODALL Academic Regiment

Rudy Rundus needs a talkin' to! Yes, readers, he hasn't pitched but six games for the Profs and hasn't won but six. He hasn't struck out but 46 batters. His earned run average per game amounts to about 2.3. He hasn't but two shutouts to his credit. What Rudy needs, we think, is more games to pitch.

Our six-foot-four inch stalwart, age 21, weight 205 pounds, has really been bearing down on the batters and is amassing a wonderful record.

Rudolph Raymond Rundus, the three-R boy, was born at Belle-Plaine, Kansas.

He was sent to the Altoona, Pa. club, a Card farm, where he won four and lost two. There he received his draft notice, quit the ball team and went home.

From there, Rudy went to Springfield, Mo., in the Western Association where he won seven games and lost only five.

UNCLE SAM CALLS About that time, Uncle Sam needed pitching so off he went to Camp Wolters, Texas, and from there to the Academic Regiment.

Rundus' greatest thrill was a twelve inning game for the Cambridge team, which was lost by a 1 to 0 score. Rundus had struck out 18 men and had given up only one measly hit before being relieved in the twelfth for a pinch hitter.

Rundus, seriously doesn't think it's his pitching that made the first-half champ Prof nine click. "The Profs are too good a team for the rest of the league."

He plans to "pitch baseball after the war" and is still under a Card contract. Incidentally, his arm feels lots better and he is ready to mow the opposition down.

Rundus walked down the matrimonial aisle recently. He married the hometown girl, Norma Stranisky. Since then the opposition hasn't scored a run, and the great all-American out actually got him.

TRAVELER In 1940, Rudy went to Silas, Arkansas, a Red Bird farm in the Ark-Mo. loop. "There I won a game—in fact seven, but I lost four," he confided.

Next, he went to Cooleen, N. C., in the N. C. State League where he won one and lost four.

1941 BIG YEAR The following season, 1941, he really went to town with the Cambridge, Md. club in the Eastern Shore League, winning 17 games and losing only eight.

"I about fell over," he explained when the official scorer gave him a 1.7 run average per game.

Cambridge ended the season in second place by virtue of Rudy's excellent hurling. Rundus requested that we "needn't mention my batting average."

Profs Sag As Three-Way TIS Loop Battle Looms

Spirits, Gators Deadlocked For Lead With Eagles Right Behind

BY SGT. MILTON LUBAN

It's still a bit too early to pick a winner in this second-half of the Infantry School league race, but right now it looks as if the Academic Regiment Profs will be unhappily watching the 124th Gators, 176 Spirits and 6th Training Regiment Eagles fight it out for the crown.

The Profs seem to have lost much of their old zest, apparently trying to squeeze through with their first-half press clippings. On the other hand, the Gators, Spirits and Eagles have the pennant grip in their eyes and battling furiously all the way.

ONE FACT stands out in bold relief: it's a mighty tough league, much better balanced than it was in the first half. There isn't a so-called underdog in the loop that isn't capable of staging an uprising against one of the leaders.

From this observation post we expect the Artillery Group to furnish some of the biggest headaches. While the Howitzers have still to win one, the team has been strengthened in several spots and has been looking better in every game. In Hoffman, the Artillerymen have a hurler who is going to cause a lot of batting averages to shrink.

HIGHLIGHTS of last week were the games between the Triplets and Spirits and the Gators and Profs. With George Cave pitching airtight, four-hit ball, the 300th managed to squeak through for a 3-2 triumph over the Spirits in spite of seven Triplets errors. It was the first loss for the Spirits while for the Triplets it is beginning to look like a duplication of their first half adventures when they also dropped the first two games then ran up an eight game winning streak. Tonight's clash with the 124th and Sunday's game against the Profs will reveal the 300th's chances of making history repeat itself.

BLACKWELL WINS On Monday the 124th Gators lost no time in capitalizing upon the Spirits loss. Packed by Ewell, the Gators slapped down the vaunted Profs, 6-5, to climb into a first place tie with the Spirits. As ball game it was rather a sloppy one, each infield kicking in with four errors. The game was a renewal of the oldest rivalry on the post and both teams seemed tightened up. The Gators, particularly, were fighting all the way and their errors were caused mostly by over-aggressiveness.

In the other important game of last week, burly Jim Prendergast completely smothered the opposition as the 6th Training Regiment took a 3-0 contest from the 3rd STR Rifles. Red Kemmerer led the Eagle attack, knocking in two runs with two hits, while George Simmons smacked in the other score.

Schedule for this week: 124th vs. 300th, tonight at Gowdy Field. 6th Tng. Regt. vs. 76th Tanks, Friday at Gowdy Field. 176th vs. 6th Tng. Regt., 176th at 1:30, Sunday, at Gowdy Field. Academic Regiment vs. 300th at

Officers Enjoy Softball Program

During the officers' athletic program of the Fourth Battalion, 23rd Co., 1st STR, a series of softball games has been started. Two teams have been formed by equally dividing the officers and also including the first sergeants. So far the first four games have shown good action and close competition resulting in a dead heat of two games won by both sides.

The "Hazers" composed of officers from the 19th, 20th, 21st, and 22nd Companies are matched against the "Wizards," composed 24th Companies, and battalion headquarters.

Major "Eagle-eye" McAllister is calling the strikes assisted by officers from the 23rd, and Chaplain "Rule-book" Reddick on the bases.

The game series will be the guests of the losing team at a battalion party.

CAMP Among athletic personalities at Camp Davis, N. C., are: Alexis Thompson, owner of the Philly Eagle pro football team; John Mellus, all-American football player at Villanova and later with the N. Y. Giants; Johnny Risko, the Cleveland Rubber Man; Baker Boy of fistic fame; Lt. Charles Belcher, former Georgia Tech middle-distance track champion; Lt. Ed Holmway, ex-Temple U. quarterback; Lt. Len Fitzgerald, who once played for the U. of Richmond grid team; Lt. Bob Page, who was a member of the Original Celtics basketball team and under baseball contract to the Philly Nationals after shining with Trenton High as a schoolboy; and Ab Androit, who performed as a Whittier college basketball member.

Ex-Enlisted Man Returns To R.C. As An Officer

Lt. Wright Is First Soldier Having Distinction

From an inductee in April 1941, to a lieutenant in the adjutant general's department, is a long step, but 2nd Lieut. Lowry G. Wright, took it in his natural stride. Lt. Wright has the distinction of being the only enlisted man to leave the Reception Center for officer candidate school and return there for duty after completion of the course.

Acting as classification clerk to select men for various outfits in the army according to their special training and abilities as well as analyzing qualifications as shown on government forms was Wright's first assignment in the army at the Reception Center at Benning, where he was inducted April 26, 1941.

He was selected to go to the Adjutant General's school from the Reception Center and was graduated February 24, 1943 with the rank of second lieutenant.

After the tour of duty at Fort Benning's Center, he was sent to a second school to take a course in personnel consultant work completing this course in June 1943.

His tour of duty at Benning is part of a field trip to various posts observing the procedure in the Special Training Units, Fort Meade, Fort Belvoir, Fort Lee, and the STAR program at Greensboro are stations visited before coming to Benning.

A native of Macon, Ga., Lt. Wright received his education in the Atlanta schools, receiving his B.S. degree from the Atlanta University in 1931 and his masters in 1936 from the same university.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. D. McGough, Sr., of Pittsview, Ala., announce the engagement of their daughter, Betty M. McGough, to Frank T. Brady, son of Mr. Joe C. Brady of Columbus, Ga., the wedding to take place September 4, at Pittsview.

Miss McGough attended Huntington College, Montgomery, Ala., the University of Alabama, and Rider College, Trenton, N. J. She has been employed at Post Headquarters, Fort Benning, Ga.

Mr. Brady is a graduate of Central College, Danville, Ky., and is at present attending the United States Coast Guard Academy, New London, Conn. Upon graduation from the school he will be commissioned an ensign.

Mr. Brady was a member of the crew of the "Wakefield" which burned at sea.

The second class of auto mechanic trainees has left for Cisco Ordnance Training Center, Cisco, Tex., to begin their training. The trainees are: Elmer Anderson, John Herndon, Allean McMillan, Randy Frasier and Apple Terry in the Aero Repair and Pinky Brunson in the Electric shop. We hope all these new people like Fort Benning and have come to stay.

It's goodbye to Mary Ann Robinson formerly of the Infantry School Book Shop. We hear that Mary Ann has a grand place at McDill Field, Tampa, Fla., to be near her son and daughter, Wade and Mrs. Baylor Harkos. Of course the granddaughter had nothing to do whatever, with Mary Ann's desire to be down there.

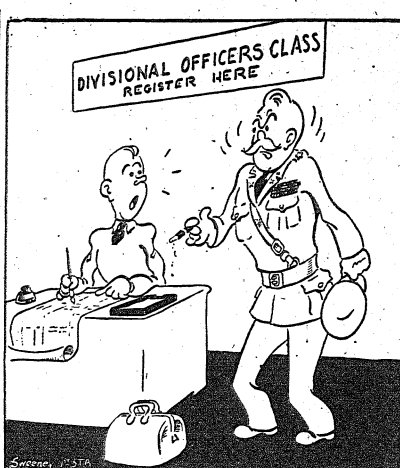
Melissa Davidovich is on leave for a vacation at Jacksonville Beach, Genevieve Burt is spending a week with her mother at Barnesville, Ga.; Olive Allen is recuperating from a vacation spent in New York and Benning; Mildred Anderson returned from Smoak Ridge, Ga.; Mary Childress is back on the job after being ill for a week; Lorraine Painter back

after a run in with some throat trouble and Eric Bradley married Pfc. Tilson of the 802nd Field Artillery. All of this happened in the Civilian Personnel Branch the last week.

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Boys Activities Plans Aquacade In Officers Pool

Plans for an "aquacade" to be presented in about three weeks at the Officers' Club pool, by the Boys' Activities Swimming Club at Fort Benning are being formulated, according to Lt. Col. Virgil E. Ney of the Infantry School, director of boys' activities at the post.

The aquacade will bring to a close the swimming instruction classes which are being conducted at the pool under the direction of Lt. William L. Bryan, instructor, and Mrs. Russell Akers, assistant instructor.

The show, which will be built around 50 boys who are in the Boy Scout troop at Fort Benning, will include races and water formations set to music and will feature a lighted candle race. Ribbons will be awarded winners of all races, and a trophy will be presented the winning team in the relay race.

Older boys will be in the relay race, various winning strokes and diving exhibitions.

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Service Club Council Formed

Members To Recommend Types of Entertainment

The formation of an advisory council at Service Club No. 4, to recommend the type of entertainment and off duty recreational and educational activities to be conducted by the club is announced by 2nd Lieut. Alfred W. O'Neill, assistant special service officer at Service Club No. 4.

Officers elected were 1st Sgt. Lenworth Morrison, 4th Co., 1st Bn., STR, president; Sgt. Thomas H. Howard, Co. "C", Reception Center, vice-president; S-Sgt. Isaac J. Royal, Co. "F", Provisional Truck Regiment, Secretary, and Sgt. John Roberts, D. M. D., Asst. secretary.

The council is composed of the following members: 1st Sgt. H. S. Harrison, 2nd Co., 1st Battalion, Reception Center; 1st Sgt. Joseph S. Greene, Jr., Co. "H" Provisional Truck Regiment; S-Sgt. Andrew J. Mosley, Sup. Det. Div. S-Sgt. Willis G. Peele, School for the Blind; S-Sgt. Herbert Dowdle, Post Det., Fourth Service Command, Unit 1447; 1st Sgt. Thomas J. Jordan, 7th Co., Bn. Str. Rec. Co.; 1st Sgt. Clayton T. Wilson, Co. "E", Provisional Truck Regiment; 1st Sgt. Cleveland Johnson, Co. "B", Recpt. Ctr.; 1st Sgt. Walter Morris, Service Co., 1st parachute Training Regiment; Sgt. Cleveland B. Bell, Post Det., Fourth Service Command; 1st Sgt. Gene Henderson, Co. "A", Prov. Trk. Regt.; 1st Sgt. Moulton L. Taylor, 1st Bn. S. T. R.; 1st Sgt. Str. Sgt. S. C. Calhoun, 10th and 2nd Bn., Special Trk. Regt.; 1st Sgt. Clifford H. Aderhold, Co. "G", Provisional Truck Regiment; 1st Sgt. Willard L. Owen, 1st Bn. S. T. R.; 1st Sgt. Edward G. Taylor, 5th Co., 1st Bn., STR; 1st Sgt. Thomas N. Sanders, 6th Co., 1st Bn. S. T. R. (Rec. Ctr.).

AST Chorus Gives Recital

The choir of the Army Specialized Training program, Basic Training of the Infantry School at Fort Benning has returned from a trip to Atlanta, Ga., where they were guests of the First Baptist Church of that city.

On Sunday, July 25th, the choir made an appearance at the Druid Hills Hour over radio station then during the morning service of the Atlanta First Baptist church, they made their second appearance of the day at a special sacred song service. Another engagement at the evening services at the Atlanta Tabernacle Baptist church concluded the day's activities. The offerings of the choir received many commendations from the citizens of Atlanta as well as from the radio listeners of station WGST.

The choir was directed by Mr. Arthur Hall, USO, musical director for the fourth service command, former associate director of the Yale Glee Club, and Lt. Alfred W. Haight, of the second student training regiment of Fort Benning.

The choral group was accompanied by Chaplains George A. Ritchey and Theodore Bachelor. Chaplain Ritchey is the senior chaplain of the A. S. T. P. Basic Training Center and is the former classmate of the two entertainers, J. A. S. T. P. Basic Training Center and James of the Atlanta First Baptist church. Chaplain Bachelor, 4th regiment, A. S. T. P. is a former pastor of the Congregational church at South Hadley, Mass.

Smaller boys will be presented in plunging dives and leg-kicking races. Rehearsals are being held every Monday and Tuesday night between 7:15 and 8:15 p. m. under the direction of Lt. Bryan and Mrs. Akers at the Officers' Club pool.

Former Elder and soldier walked away from the scene in his dripping uniforms with shoes in hands down the road together, a new road for one and a familiar one to the other.

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Twenty-nine promotions have been bestowed among the personnel of the Fort Benning Internment Camp at Harmony Church, Col. George M. Chescheir, commanding officer, announces. Technical Sergeants Thomas Smith and Reuben L. Satterfield and Staff Sergeants Albert Klick and Henry Green are promoted to first sergeant.

The rating of technical sergeant has been awarded to Staff Sergeants Robert L. Templeton and Antonio A. Lopardo.

Staff sergeants have been given Staff Sergeant Anthony J. Castiglia, Stephen Monaco and Paul T. Bell and to technicians 4th grade Winfield L. Purvis. Technician 4th Grade Mel Petrone is made Staff Sergeant Technician.

Raised to the rating of technician fourth grade are Corporals Paris R. Garrett, Technicians 5th Grade Wilbur E. Anding, Robert O. Hamilton, Robert R. Palmer and Pfc. William E. Randall. Technicians 5th Grade Herzl J. Franco and Henri Gross and Pfc. Carlos D. Ahi, Jr., Arthur L. Burke, Isadore Katz, Frank Silverman, Andrew M. Snodgrass, Jr., Strayer G. Swartz, James A. Senis, Mario F. Santoro, Wesley J. G. Senkel and Lloyd W. Wicklund were made corporals while Pfc. Robert Cianchetti was raised to technician fifth grade.

Two-Weeks Revival Starts Sunday; Soldiers Invited

The many friends of the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Dobbins will be happy to hear that they are returning to Columbus this weekend to begin a two weeks revival at the East Highland Assembly of God located at 12th avenue and 22nd street, according to the Rev. Mr. Jimmie Mayo, pastor of the local church.

Evangelist Dobbins is well known having been pastor of the North Highland Assembly in Columbus up until November of last year when he resigned to enter the Army as a Volunteer Officer Candidate feeling that he could be a greater blessing to the men of the service as an officer than as a chaplain. While receiving his basic training in a Texas army camp a rheumatic condition developed which prevented him from continuing his training and he was discharged from the service.

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An Army Wife Shops In Columbus

By Phyllis

Many of the stores are having summer sales which really delight all the bargain hunters, men and women alike. Some shops, on the other hand, are already displaying new fall merchandise in order to give us an idea of the coming styles. This "preview" idea gives us all a chance to really shop in a leisurely fashion. Buying now saves a great deal of rushing around for something to wear the first cool fall days.

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Following a sewing pattern is now such a simple matter even teen-age girls are trying their hands at dressmaking. Sewing machines may be rented or borrowed for a little time and a bit of ingenuity is all it takes for anyone to add to her wardrobe. Keeping this in mind the A. KIEVLEN COMPANY has a section on the main floor which is almost overflowing with bolt fabric of all fine fabrics. Seersucker, broadcloth, chambray, organdy, printed silk jersey and butcher linen set in by hand to give that look of an expensive sweater. Not that they all are high-priced. Quality is evident in all cases. No matter what price you happen to pay. The shades are pink, ranging from a baby shade to a deep rose. There are also yellow, mazel, white, red, lime green, blues of all shades, purple orchid are the colors which make it hard to resist the charms of each shade. A rather pebbly-like weave and the old faithful cable stitch are the two weaves noticeably different from the standard "knit one, purl one." Whether you favor cardigan or pull-over styles you'll have a wide choice if you visit Kayser-Lienthal's now.

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Reorganization of headquarters detachment to include three groups was announced Saturday night by Brig. Gen. Walter S.

Fulton, commanding general of Ft. Benning. At the same time, reorganization of the Medical Detachment was announced. The three organizations inactivated at midnight and reorganized into one group beginning Sunday, are H. Q. Detachment, D. E. M. L. Finance Detachment and the Military Police Detachment, section one. Colored troops from the Post Detachment and the Military Police will be organized as Section 2. Later the new group will be housed together, and a separate mess will be established. Capt. Samuel Lowry, now commanding officer of D. E. M. L., will be in command of Section One while Major James A. Mitchell will be in command of Section 2. Personnel of the present units all are transferred in grade to the appropriate sub-sections of the new organization. A similar new group for both white and colored personnel in the present Detachment, Medical Department, will be formed to be known as the Medical Detachment, Section I and Section II. The present Veterinary Service Detachment will be included in this set-up.



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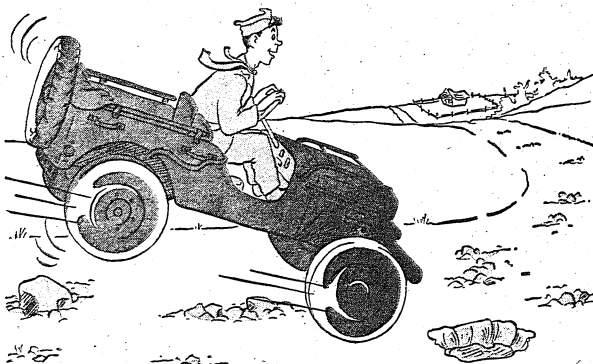
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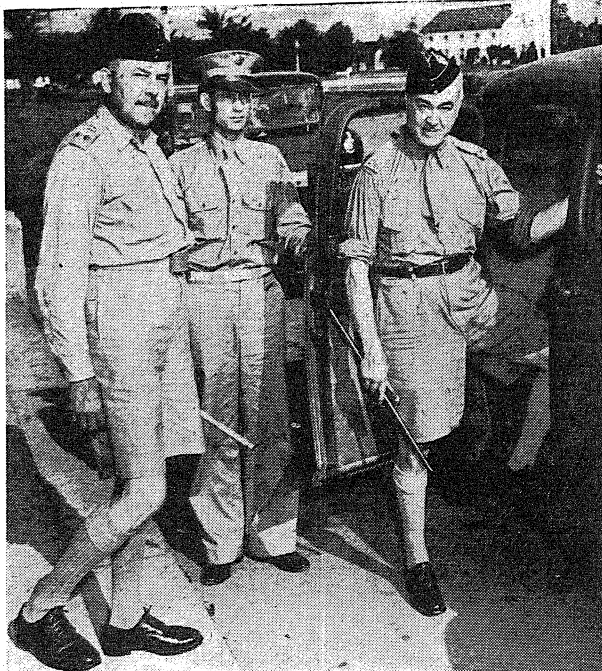
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CO-CHAIRMEN of the official selection and appraisal board of the Canadian armed forces, Brig. J. P. Archambault (left), and Brig. G. E. McQuaig (right), are shown leaving the Infantry school headquarters, Fort Benning, on a tour of inspection of the school and its installations. Sgt. John P. Ford (center), is chauffeur for the visitors. Both were impressed by the efficient methods of instruction in the school. (U. S. Army Signal Corps Photo.)

Baker Village Reporter

MRS. RUBY YOUNG—PHONE 5333

Don't forget the Pet Show to be held for all the boys and girls of Baker Village and Benning Park on Friday, July 30 (EWT). The place of the show is on the playground next to the administration building, instead of the athletic field as previously announced. All types of pets will be judged, and we hope to see every boy and girl out with his or her pet. In case you do not have a pet of your own borrow one from a neighbor who does not have a boy or girl to enter the pet. A variety of pets are to be found in the project. Let's have them out on Friday and see just what we do have in the way of pets.

The pets will be judged for first, second and third place, according to the list given below. Largest pet, smallest pet, oddest pet, prettiest pet, homeliest pet, youngest pet, oldest pet, pet with most colors, saddest looking pet, best trained pet, prettiest dog, and prettiest cat.

The following persons have been selected to act as judges: Mrs. Rotari, 41-B; Mrs. Don, 41 Clifton; Mrs. Hopkins, 124-B; Mrs. Gillard, 13 Allison, and Mrs. Harmon, 20-B. We hope to see a good turnout for this event, and mothers are invited to bring small children who cannot come alone.

PLAYGROUNDS
Frances Hundertmark and Army Krakauer have volunteered their services to assist on the playgrounds several hours a week in story-telling, handicraft, and games. This service will give these girls credit for the Victory Corps in high school. They will be at the Benning Park playground on Mondays at 3 o'clock and all the children from that area are invited to participate in the games and story-telling that they have planned. Mrs. Lutz would be glad to see any of the other girls of high school ages.

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who might be interested in volunteering their services to secure Victory Corps credit. Tuesday and Thursday evenings the playground equipment is put out for everyone's use. Many have turned out this past week and have found something to engage in. We would like to see the playground at the administration office filled to capacity. Old and young alike are invited.

Horseshoe pits are underway, and we hope to have these in good shape and ready soon for those who enjoy pitching horseshoes. Posters advertising the pet show will be handcraft project this week. Next week soft toys from cloth and oil cloth will be started Monday and Wednesday afternoon are set aside for this activity. All boys and girls plan to meet with us on the playground for this activity.

BROWNIES
The Brownie Troop is steadily growing and is having a fine time each Monday afternoon. Its sponsor is Mrs. Shoemaker, who has proved so popular that it looks as though another troop will have to be organized in order to take care of those who have expressed a desire to join.

The Girl Scout troop will meet each Wednesday at 2 in the auditorium. An invitation is extended to all those who have not been able to attend the Tuesday and Thursday sewing class but who wish to start. Newcomers to the project are especially urged to come. Miss Rhodes is glad to assist you in all types of sewing.

All girls may join in folk dancing each Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. All girls of the Scout troop should be there to work on the bridge.

A swimming class at Russ Pool for girls up to 12 years is sponsored each Tuesday afternoon. Transportation is by bus. Any girl who cannot swim may join this group. A permission slip from the parents is necessary to go off the project for this activity.

A red tricycle with rubber seat was left outside. Anyone knowing anything about it please see Joan Hagins at 77-C.

NEWCOMERS
Lt. and Mrs. Wm. B. McConnell, 36 Roper; Lt. and Mrs. Lawrence C. Galloway, 43 Barry; Lt. and Mrs. Elgie C. Fletcher, 3 Winston; Lt. and Mrs. John F. Maxheim, Jr., 7 Barry; Lt. and Mrs. Edgar J. Soam, 119 Court; Lt. and Mrs. George L. Todd, 29 Barry; Lt. and Mrs. Louis S. Weaver, Jr., 19 Roper; Lt. and Mrs. Robert J. Williams, 18 Roper; Sgt. and Mrs. Garret McRae, 52-E; Sgt. and Mrs. A. Dreskell, 70-B; Sgt. and Mrs. Roy M. Glass, 91-C; Sgt. and Mrs. Harvey J. Riley, 61-H; Mr. and Mrs. Leo W. Harris, 84-G; Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Smith, 32-A; Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Walden, Jr., 136-D; and Mrs. Abbie L. Hubbard, 10-D.

HEIR RAID
Lt. and Mrs. Richard Kaye of 19 Court, girl; Lt. and Mrs. Everett Stouter of 16 Barry, boy.

PERSONALS
Mrs. Bienvenu of Houston, Tex., has returned home after visiting Lt. and Mrs. Joseph Bienvenu of 130 Clifton. Mrs. C. Brown of Cleveland, O., is visiting Capt. and Mrs. George Arnold of 2 Roper. Capt. and Mrs. John Urban of

Lawson Field Promotes 22 Enlisted Men

Eleven non-commissioned officers have been promoted, and eleven privates have been made corporals at Lawson Field, according to word reaching post headquarters, Fort Benning.

Staff Sergeant Ashton H. Berckmeyer has been raised to technical sergeant, and Sergeants Harry G. Batchelder, Joseph E. Kranitz, and Edwin Wentzel have been promoted to staff sergeants in the 54th Base Headquarters and Air Base Squadron. Other promotions in that organization include the raising of Corporals William C. Dolley, Ray C. MacDonald and Ralph A. de Leon to sergeants, and Privates William J. McGovern, Frank Martorella, Anthony Seta, Joseph F. Palagano, Nunzie A. DeMarco, Charles F. Katta and Coleman C. Moser, to corporals. Staff Sergeant John J. Finnegan has been promoted to technical sergeant in the 915th Quartermaster Co. (Aviation). Other promotions in that group include: Corporals Anthony J. Caropres, Joseph A. Mangione and Paul Shinski, to sergeants; Privates Pasquale R. Fiorile, Victor F. Fontana and Robert G. Houk, to corporals, and Private Roddie B. Moore, to technician fifth grade.

Lt. Moore Gets Washington Post

First Lieutenant Claude Isaac Moore of the Adjutant General's Department, Academic Regiment, The Infantry School, has been transferred to the Publications Section, Adjutant General's Office, in Washington, D. C. Lieutenant Moore enlisted at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., in 1919 and was appointed battalion sergeant major in 1920. He served with the Second Infantry from 1922 to 1926 and then went to the Panama Canal Zone where he served with the 33d Infantry in 1926. In 1929 he was assigned to Fort Benning, Ga., and served first with The Infantry School Detachment and later with The Infantry School Service Command. He was commissioned a first lieutenant on June 30, 1942 and assigned to the Adjutant General's Department, Academic Regiment, The Infantry School, where he has served since.

Washington, D. C., are home on leave. Lt. and Mrs. Albert Zola of 120 Clifton have returned home from New York. Major and Mrs. Sloan have as their guest Miss Willison of Broadmor, Va.

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The theater benches were removed and in their place are tables and chairs. The tables are always well stocked with a good variety of magazines. A radio for those men who have maintained excellent character and moral ratings coupled with outstanding military efficiency, and who had completed three years of active federal military service on

One of the features of the hall is a library well stocked with a variety of books; novels, mystery, biographies, text and reference books.

The stage has been remodeled to permit theatricals. It is planned for those men who have maintained excellent character and moral ratings coupled with outstanding military efficiency, and who had completed three years of active federal military service on

Four Provisional Non-Coms Receive Conduct Medals

Colonel Frank J. Vida, Commanding Officer of the Provisional Truck Regiment, has presented Good Conduct Medals to First Sergeant Joe Ray, Staff Sergeant John Henry Spikes, and Sergeants Arthur Howard and Joseph R. Green, Jr.

This was a notable occasion in the regiment for these men were the first in the organization to receive this honor — decreed by the President of the United States for those men who have maintained excellent character and moral ratings coupled with outstanding military efficiency, and who had completed three years of active federal military service on

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Qualified men are needed now in the paratroops, which are more important to the Army today than ever before, according to information received today at Fort Benning from the Technical Information Division at Headquarters of the Army Ground Forces.

Soldiers whose applications are approved will be transferred to the Parachute School here at Fort Benning.

If you want to join the paratroops, here are a few answers to questions about which you may have wondered:

Question: What are paratroops?

Answer: Paratroops are essentially Ground Force soldiers who jump to fight. They are troops transported by plane, landed by parachute, who carry out special missions such as capturing enemy airfields or destroying vital enemy supplies.

Q: How do I join the paratroops?

A: Arrange first of all with your First Sergeant to have a physical examination at your unit dispensary. If this examination shows that you meet the requirements, write a letter of application stating that you desire a transfer from your present unit to the Paratroops. This letter of application, addressed to your company commander, will then be forwarded through channels. If the application is approved, your transfer to the Parachute School at Fort Benning will be arranged.

Q: What are the physical qualifications?

A: The qualifications are: Age—18 to 32, inclusive; Weight—maximum not to exceed 185 pounds; Height—maximum not to exceed 72 inches; Vision—distant vision uncorrected must be 20-40 each eye, or better; Feet—a serious case of flat feet will disqualify; Genito-urinary System—recent venereal disease will disqualify an applicant; Nervous System—must be normal; Bones, Joints and Muscles—lack of normal mobility in every joint, poor or unequally developed muscle development, poor coordination or lack of at least average athletic ability disqualify.

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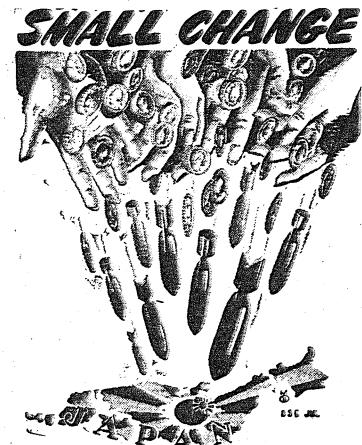
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Officer Favors 'Tac'-Instructor Lend-Lease Idea

1st Lt. Everette A. Stoutner, who has been on three months special duty with the Weapons Section, Academic Department, TIS, returned to the Student Training Regiment to resume his duties as a tactical officer in the Sixth Company.

Lt. Stoutner states that he is much in favor of the "Lend-Lease" policy between the Student Training Brigade and the Academic Department. "The policy tends to create a more mutual understanding between the Tactical Officer and the Instructor regarding their duties and problems."

Since the ultimate objective of both the Student Training Brigade and the Academic Department is to produce and turn out the finest officers the world knows today, there should be a very close and meticulous coordination between the two organizations.

Lt. Stoutner, a graduate of Coe College, Cedar Rapids, Ia., was a "three letter man" in track. He was captain of the track team his senior year. The team, coached by Forrest S. Hite, who is now a major in the Army, won four straight Midwest Conference championships.

Sgt. Story Heads New Spinners' Non-Com Club

The 176th Infantry's Non-Com Club held an election meeting at which time the following officers were nominated and elected: 1st Sgt. Payton Story, president; 1st Sgt. Raymond L. Jones, vice president; M-Sgt. Quid, secretary, and M-Sgt. Edwin Singleton, treasurer.

The club now has 264 members, a large percentage of whom are in the regular scheduled Friday night dances held in the club house. The members are planning to hold a picnic in the very near future. All expenses for this outdoor picnic will be absorbed by the treasury. The exact date of the affair hasn't been decided upon as yet.

C. W. O. Richard Walden donated an American flag to the club, and it is being very prominently in the center of the floor. Cpl. Charles Bischoff is in charge of the maintenance of the club and it is his excellent work that has enabled the club house to assume the appearance of a country club.

Provides Records For Spirit Quartet

Through the sponsorship of the Chaplain's Office of the 176th Infantry, familiar hymnal recordings are played every Sunday morning between 8:30 and 9 o'clock in the center of the Spirit Quartet. It is hoped that these recordings will encourage more men to go to church on Sundays.

The Chaplain's Office has an album of three dozen records embracing organ music, vibra-harpe and organ (giving the impression of chimes), and semi-classical music. The Sunday morning music reminds the men that it is Sunday, and that they ought to go to services.

Among the many records are the "Lost Chord" with Jesse Crawford at the organ; Halsey's "Hallelujah Chorus," "Face to Face," "Come Thou Almighty King," "Onward Christian Soldiers," and "Lead Kindly Light."

Five Spiriters Become Citizens

Five members of the 176th Infantry became citizens of the United States last week in a ceremony held at the Columbus Court House. Their names aren't important, their thoughts and reactions are! They still have relatives in occupied countries.

One soldier expressed his sentiments this way: "This is something I've always wanted. This country is the greatest country in the world. I can remember enough of my old country to appreciate this one."

Another new citizen said "I am happy to call myself an American citizen. This is a great country, and I'm proud to be a part of it. My being able to become a citizen quicker than I had thought possible made me very happy. I will always do my best to live up to the high ideals this country possesses."

\$100 a month minimum. Other enlisted men are paid up to \$188 minimum, plus extra pay for length of service. Pay begins upon entrance into the Parachute School, after the weeks of basic training is over.

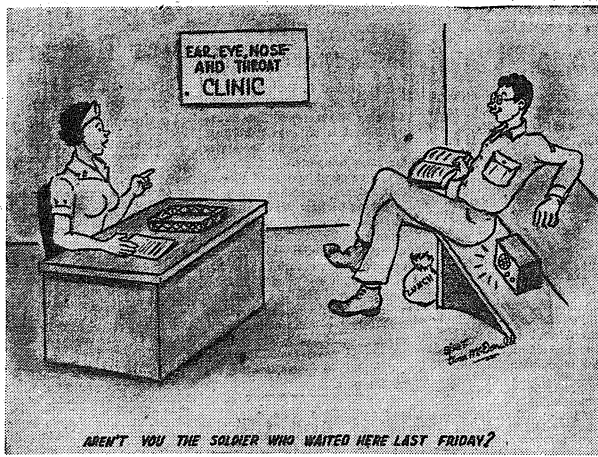
Q: Where will I be assigned after completing training at the Parachute School?

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During his visit here Major Samms, along with Lt. John W. Inzer, Benning insurance officer, conferred with unit commanders at the post stressing the importance of each soldier being adequately protected before he goes into combat.

Major Samms, who has only recently completed tours of duty in the South Pacific and the Caribbean theaters of operations, as a member of a life insurance team of three officers, noted that while a large percentage of troops in the United States are protected with government insurance, unprotected casualties in combat zones have run as high as 25 to 50 per cent, a figure which has caused much concern in the War Department.

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CAPTAIN HOWELL

Lieut. William L. Howell of the Weapons Section, The Infantry School, has been promoted to the rank of Captain. Capt. Howell was called into active service on May 9, 1941 as an enlisted man with the Corps of Intelligence Police at Fort Hayes, Ohio. He attended the Corps of Intelligence Police School in June of 1941. On February 11, 1942, he was assigned to the Infantry Officer Candidate School at Fort Benning, Georgia, as a student. Upon receiving his commission on May 12, 1942, Capt. Howell was assigned as Instructor and Administrative Officer, Heavy Weapons Combat Training Group, Weapons Section, The Infantry School.

self and his dependents each soldier is morally obligated to carry the full \$10,000 protection offered. Major Samms also added that dollar for dollar it is the best policy that can be purchased. For the man without dependents the major urged National Service life insurance as a substantial investment, with excellent conversion possibilities. Under the series of conferences, each unit commander was informed of his responsibility in seeing that members of his command are adequately protected against combat risks.

Lieutenant Jones Dons Double Bars

First Lieutenant Starr W. Jones has been promoted to the rank of captain.

Captain Jones was inducted at Fort McArthur, California, on April 23, 1941, and was assigned to Service Company of the 53rd Infantry at Fort Ord, California, on April 28, 1941. On July 29, 1941, he served on interior guard duty through California, Nevada and Utah. He was assigned to Officer Candidate School at Fort Benning, on March 16, 1942, and received his commission as a second lieutenant on June 12, 1942. Upon graduation and commission he was assigned as instructor to the Weapons Section, The Infantry School and was promoted to the rank of first lieutenant on August 29, 1942.

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In the prescribed Infantry School sequence, he would first have demonstrated the improper method—then he himself would show his platoon the way genuine dough-broys assume the prone position.

The lieutenant chose for his victim the puniest of his trainees, a spinning youngster who, he was sure, would go down by the numbers in at least eight counts. This jolly-bear infantryman shyly walked out in front of the platoon. On the lieutenant's order he slammed himself down with such force that he disappeared from sight.

When he had been dug out from under four feet of red Georgia clay and had spit the

rocks out of his mouth, this panty-waist dog-face blurted, "I'm sorry, sir, you had to dig me out. You see, in our outfit we do this from half-tracks. We dig holes in the ground when we hit, but we always bounce out!"

Elmer E. Jones, women's Southwestern Golf champion and New Mexico state title holder, and a member of the board of directors of the Women's Trans-Mississippi Golf Ass'n, has joined the W.A.C. and is in basic training at Fort Des Moines, Ia.

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Reception Center Mess Sergeant Supervises 18,000 Meals Daily

Responsibility for 6,000 meals, three times a day or a total of 18,000 meals a day rests on the shoulders of Master Sergeant Jonathan Black, non-commissioned mess officer of the Reception Center.

Joining the Army September 16, 1923, at St. Louis, Mo., Sgt. Black has served all the grades from private to master sergeant in the 20 years he has served in the Army.

With the exception of two years spent at Tuskegee in the reserve corps, Sgt. Black has spent his time with such famous outfits as the 24th Infantry, the Bakers and Cooks, the Bigville Mess and at the Officers' Club but since 1940 has served at the Reception Center in his present capacity.

Under his direct supervision are the five messes at the Reception Center, including the mess for the special training units which have just been activated at the post.

WASTE WATCHED

Sgt. Black personally supervises the ordering and checking in and out of the foods, as well as the cooking and serving. Special attention is paid to waste—last Friday the overall waste per man was 17 pounds and each mess has its waste weighed after each meal, and entered on records in order that waste can be eliminated to the greatest extent and too that any mess having an excess wastage is given special attention and inspection.

Each kitchen is personally inspected before and after each meal to see that every kitchen, refrigerator, mess hall, and table is in the spotless condition required by the Army. Sgt. Black and his corps of cooks and helpers feed this vast Army of soldiers with the best food the Army offers. It is prepared in the most palatable manner, in spotless mess halls, from the cleanest kitchens to the hungriest soldiers in the world who can have one, two, or three servings if their appetites require that amount of food. Fish, beef, pork, lamb, and the choicest fresh vegetables and fruit in abundance, with the aid of these facilities supervised by Sgt. Black make these men among the best fed in the world.



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Five Officers Promoted

Promotions of five officers in the Academic Regiment has been announced by Col. H. N. Burkhalter, regimental commander.

Captain Berry L. Marshall, commanding officer of Company A, has been promoted to major. First Lieutenant Robert W. Hoeman, C.O. of Company H, has been made captain. Lieutenants W. M. Knapp, C.O. of Company C, W. G. Smith, regimental adjutant and H. A. Moore, junior officer of Company A, have been made first lieutenants.

Major Marshall, a graduate of Texas A. and M., is the former assistant state coordinator in the Soil Conservation Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture. He is a resident of San Marcos, Texas.

His junior officer, Lt. Moore, is more widely known as Herb Moore, manager and first baseman of the Academic Prof of the Infantry School baseball league. Lt. Moore has long been associated with the St. Louis Cardinals' baseball chain as a player and manager. He is a native of Petersburg, Va.

Lt. Smith, formerly engaged in the life insurance business, has from Palmerton, Pa., and Lt. Knapp, a securities dealer, comes from Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

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Non-Com Lands 20 Pound Fish In Chattahoochee

Sgt. Edward L. Bellevue of the 20th Company, First Training Regiment, at the Infantry School is an avid fisherman. So is Pfc. Edward P. Zareski of the same company.

The sergeant is indeed pleased that Private Zareski is interested in fishing because the latter alone can provide proof that the Sergeant recently caught a "gar fish" weighing between 15 and 20 pounds and measuring five feet in length in the muddy Chattahoochee. The fish was caught on a small hook with an ordinary fishing line, a feat which the sergeant himself can hardly believe. He has no photographic evidence. Cameras, of course, are banned on the post.

W. D. Abolishes Limited Service

Effective August 1, the classification of enlisted men as "limited service" will be abolished by the Army, according to the Army and Navy Journal of July 24. Clarification of the order has not been received as yet at post headquarters.

Indications are, according to post officials, that while the classification will be abolished, commanding officers may retain limited service men if they are qualified to perform their present duties.

The order calls for a physical examination of all enlisted men now classified as limited service. Those men, according to the Journal, who can pass current tests will be retained on active duty and by reference to limited service will be stricken from the records.

Men not able to pass the examination will be discharged unless commanding officers desire to retain the men in their present capacities. Post authorities expect that the order will be a means of discharging incompetent men who have physical or mental defects.

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versity of California at Los Angeles. Both were commissioned in the U. S. Army from the ranks of ROTC.

FROM SOUTH AMERICA

A large number of the Frenchmen come from South America and from widely separated localities such as Peru, Curacao, Haiti, Costa Rica, El Salvador and Brazil.

Also in the French contingent are men born in Russia, Italy, England, South Africa and France.

In the American contingent are officers who have served in Africa, the South Pacific, Hawaii, Panama and Alaska.

One, Lt. John H. L. Buffington, of Newark, served 12 months in Alaska and didn't even catch a cold. But the first day in Fort Benning, he was bitten by a dog.

Instructions to this group appear complicated but the men are working out their own solution. The lectures are given in English and those French who understand English interpret them for their associates. The French and Americans are making headway in swapping languages, teaching each other their native tongue.

Lt. Joseph J. Mazur, executive officer, was surprised by the aptitude of his company in picking up commands. With a mixture of sign language and verbal commands, he has his platoons functioning in remarkable unison.

NO SPECIAL FOOD

The "Legion" is getting no special treatment in the matter of food. It is being served regulation American army chow, and there have been no complaints except for a few gripes by Americans.

The Chinese members of the unit are learning to sing the Marseillaise. Of course the unabridged native army ballads are quite popular.

Captain Arthur D. Everson, commanding officer of the 12th company reports the unit is exceptionally cooperative.

In addition to the 12th company, there is another group of South Americans, all from Brazil, who are forming a class for a similar course in the First Company of the First Student Training Regiment.

Pepper Bill Proposes Post War Education Loan Fund

Servicemen Could Borrow Up To \$1200 To Complete Schooling

A bill providing loans to war-service persons for educational purposes has been introduced in Congress by Senator Claude Pepper of Florida and referred to the Committee on Education and Labor in the Senate, according to advices reaching Fort Benning this week.

The proposed bill states that since the education of many men and women in the armed services and the merchant marine has been interrupted by the war, such people should be encouraged and assisted "to complete their education, or to take such training as they may be qualified for and worthy undertakings."

Under the proposed bill war-service persons would be entitled, under certain conditions, to loans up to \$1200 a year to attend colleges, training schools or other educational institutions. The amount of the loan would be determined by the proportion of the educational institution or training school which the individual wishes to attend as to the sum necessary to provide for living expenses, exclusive of tuition, books and fees of the person, and dependents of the person.

The tuition, fees, books and supplies required of the student by the educational institution would be provided by the Commissioner of Education of the United States under provisions of the proposed legislation.

Such loans would be made without collateral security and would bear one per cent interest per year, and be repayable in 10 equal installments. The first installment would mature one year after the student ceased to be eligible for the benefits. Each war-service person making loans provided for under the proposed bill would be credited with half of the amount of each payment due on such a loan at the time of maturity if he or she shows good faith and diligence in the work upon the certificate of the educational institution attended.

Totem Poles Grace H. C. Officers Club

Some of the most unusual and outstanding works of soldier art on the Post of Fort Benning are the totem poles that decorate the Officers' Club in the Harmony Church area. Extending to the height of eight feet, the four skillfully carved carvings form an exotic setting for the two large fireplace which they ornament. Each pole is carved into gaily colored animals and gargoyles which are symbols of Indian tribes. Further carrying out the Frontier motif are friezes of silhouetted figures depicting such Wild West characters as Cowboys, Indians, and dashing stage coaches.

Carved out of virgin poplar, by Sgt. Fred A. Netzlaff, Operations Section of the Student Training Brigade, the totem show unusual sculptural ability. The excellence of the work is all the more surprising when it is considered that this work was the first essay into the field of wood-carving made by Sgt. Netzlaff, although it is true that he was a carpenter and cabinet maker in civilian life.

Sgt. Netzlaff credits Lt. Col. Harold J. Lipscomb, S-4, STB with his inspiration stating that the officer supplied him with photographic references to totem poles. The suggestion that an attempt be made to duplicate them. "So," said Sgt. Netzlaff, "I started the student and it turned out pretty good results. I may make it a habit."

Captain Keeney Commands 6th Company, 1st STR

Sixth Company, First Student Training Regiment is now commanded by Captain E. M. Keeney recently returned from Puerto Rico where he had completed two years duty with the Caribbean Defense Command.

Captain Keeney entered on active duty in April of 1941 after having previously served on the Hawaiian Islands with the Hawaiian Conservation Corps Army within the First Marines Area. Shortly after reporting for duty at H. F. C. A. he was assigned to the Caribbean Defense Command and ordered to report to the Puerto Rican Department.

In May of this year Captain Keeney received orders to return to the United States and in company with several other officers who had also been in the Caribbean Area for over the last two years, he came back to the mainland on a Navy Transport. He was attached to the Student Training Brigade and first saw duty at Fort Benning with the Fourth Battalion of the First Training Regiment, joining the Sixth Company early in July.

hoped to have it completed by the time that the cloverleaf connection with Benning Blvd. is ready for use, Capt. Sidwell said today.

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